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The Church of Christ, unto a people in Kentucky and the adjacent States Sendeth greeting.

We have heard of a work of God among you, who worketh in diovers operations of his power, for which we feel thankful, as we have an ardent desire that God would carry on his own work according to his purposes. We know that God's work as it respects the salvation and redemption of souls, is a strange work, which he hath promised to bring to pass in the latter days. — We also know that the servants of God have been under sackcloth and darkness since the falling away of the apostolic order, which from the time of Christ's ministry, continued about 400 years, since that time, Antichrist has had power to reign in Christ's stead, and hath set up the abomination that maketh desolate, spoken of by Daniel the Prophet which christ, according to the scriptures, was to consume with the spirit of his mouth and destroy with the brightness of his second coming.

But not to tarry on these things we will come to matters in the present day: — The time being nearly finished, according to the scriptures; that Antichrist should reign, and the time fully come for Christ to make his second appearance, God, of his everlasting goodness & mercy to his creatures, in the fulfilment of his promises, raised up to himself witnesses, and gave unto them the same gifts of the Holy Ghost, that were given to the apostles in Christ's first appearing. The light and power and gifts of the Holy Ghost were so convincing, especially in the first pillar, attended with the word of prophecy in so marvellous a manner, that every heart was searched and every eien of them that heard was treed: — — The loss of man, and the way and work of salvation by Christ in the present witnesses appearing so unspeakably great, that altho we had been a people greatly wrought upon by the spirit of God, and were looking for the coming of Christ, yet the light manifested in the witnesses showed us that we were unspeakably short of salvation and had never travelled one step in the regeneration toward the New birth, for it showed us that it was impossible for them who lived in the works of natural generation, copulating in the works of the flesh, to travel in the great work of regeneration and the new birth. And as these witnesses had received the revelation of Christ, in this last display of the grace of God to a lost world, they taught & opened unto us the way of God, which is a way out of all sin, in the following manner. First, to believe in the manifestation of Christ, and in the messengers he had sent: Secondly, to confess all our sins; and Thirdly, to take up our cross against the flesh, the world and all evil; which we, by receiving and obeying from the heart, have rec. the gift of God which has separated us from the course of this world and all sin in our knowledge for twenty years past and upwards.

We therefore as servants of Christ and children of the resurrection, testify to all people that Christ hath made his second appearance here upon earth and the poor lost children of men know it not.

We know there are many among the wise and prudent of this generation who are looking for the coming of Christ in this latter day, who entirely overlook the work of God, as the ancient Jews did, in the day of Christ's first appearing. For Christ has come, and it is hid from their eyes, and we marvel not at it, for Christ said "I thank thee O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes".

But as the work of God which has wrought mightily in us to purify us from the nature of sin, has been progressive from step to step as we were able to bear, from one degree to another we cannot write particularly in this letter; We hope and trust that you will be so far informed as will be necessary to your salvation. We feel union with the work of God that we have heard is among you, and have a desire to communicate something to you that will be for your good.

The light of God in the gospel has taught us the strait & narrow way that leadeth to life, and not only so, but has given us to see the devices of satan, that from ages past down to this present day, when God has given his holy spirit to enlighten and convict the children of men of sin, satan would also work to heal their wounds slightly and lead them into by and forbidden paths, if possible to dishonor & destroy the work of God, even in them that God has enlightened and called to be his witnesses.

We have had a great desire that some of you might have visited us before now, as we have been waiting for some time to know the mind of God in relation to you; We now out of duty to God and our fellow creatures, have sent three of our brethren viz. John Meacham, Issachar Bates and Benjamin Youngs, who, we trust will be able to declare these things more particularly and open the way of eternal life unto you, which is a way out of all sin, a way which the vulture's eye never saw, the lion's whelps never trod, and the fierce lion never passed by it. Receive them therefore as messengers of Christ and friends to your salvation.

Written in the Church at New-Lebanon Town of Canaan, county of Columbia and state of New York December 31st 1804

Signed in behalf of the Ch. David Meacham, Amos Hammond, Ebenezer Cooley

General Review of the most important events relating to the Rise and progress of The United Society of Believers — At Waterliet in the county of Montgomery And state of Ohio. (Began in Feb. 1892.)

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Introduction.

The practice of recording important events relating to the history of the church being first introduced by a Divine command, has been continued in some way or other thro' all ages down to the present date; but the want of correct & intelligent language, & the use of letters, have rendered the records of antiquity very unsatisfactory in many respects. Besides, that emulation and desire to excel so prevalent in all nations & kindreds of the earth has had its share of influence in setting forth those distinguishing gifts & operations of God, which might have been more inteligible and more credible with less of the boasted sublime and marvellous. But as there never has been a period in which the church and the world have not been at variance, so there never has been an age in which their respective writers have not transcended the bounds of credit in their own praise, & in defamation of their opponents: with the only exception of some of the early Christian fathers who renounced the world, and had nothing to strive about but those sacred and simple truths which were dearer to them than natural life and all its perishable enjoyments. In the writings of those holy men we find the first model of Church records worthy of imitation.

The day of Pentecost marked the separating line between figure and substance, imagination and fact, and however those sacred writtings have been tortured from age to age in support of the vain imaginations of the disputers of this world, their marks of solid truth & divin simplicity remain unsullied to the discerning eye of the understanding Believer. For as it was not for themselves but for those who should come after that those things were recorded; so they must have contemplated the existence of the same facts and realities in a future day, and with the same view the church continues to prolong the sacred history, which is neither understood nor valued but by those who are experimentally in the work. It will therefore be our only object in the following review to set forth in order those things which have taken place on this consecrated ground from time to time, ever since this part of the country was settled, and a religious society formed here, including the revival of religion that preceded the commencement of the society under the present faith of Christs second appearing, and the various changes in the society, by admissions, departures, and deceases of members. The several orders, rules and regulations, covenants and articles of agreement, with whatever else may tend to perpetuate a true understanding of the work into which we have been called, which is nothing less than to separate us from the course and spirit of the world and purify us unto God, a peculiar people zealous of good works.

A General Review &c.

Chapter I

The first settlement of this country, and the commencement of religious society.

NEAR the close of the last century, when the dire disasters of war & bloodshed had ceased, and peace with the natives was established, and this territory North west of the river Ohio had opened her fertile forests for the reception of emigrants from the several states, settlements in swift progression were formed on every direction, till the rich praeries on that river & the tributary streams of the two Miamis on either side invited the early attention of a respectable number sufficient to brighten the prospect of social happiness, both in a civil & religious view. This Beaver-Creek settlement where the church is now located was commenced in the year 1800, by emigrants from Kentucky, mostly from Bethel congregation on the waters of North Elkhorn, between Georgetown and Lexington.

John Patterson moved with his family to Ohio in the fall of the year 1799. spent the winter on the great Miaia where he had raised a crop the summer before, and the following spring moved his family to the place now consecrated to the use of the gospel. John Huston a single man entered a quarter section and began to improve it about the same time. In the spring of 1801. John Buchanan arrived with his family; James Milligan. Wm. Stuart and their connections came in the year 1803. All these being respectable members of the Presbyterian Church, and being joined by others of the same profession, formed a congregation called Beulah, which was taken under the care of Presbytery and supplied with occasional preaching, in common with other vacancies.

The extraordinary revival of religion, which broke out in the presbyterian church Kentucky, in the spring of 1801. and which took a general spread through the Western country, could not fail to interest the feelings of this branch of the Church. The great excitement produced in the public mind by the strange phenomena of this astonishing work, attracted visitants from every quarter to see the exhibitions of the camp-meeting: which in those days, baffled & confounded all human phylosophy, and forced a general assent from unprejudiced candor, that it was the effect of nothing short of a supernatural and divine agency.

Turtlecreek one of the oldest congregations in the state, was roused by the report dispatched two of their members viz. David Spining and John Morris to Kentucky to see & examine the work. They attended a camp meeting in the fall of 1801, at Blue Spring in Fayette county. where the work was very powerful, and both became subjects of the operations, and returned home with a testimony that God was in it of a truth. This excited a spirit of prayer among the people, that they might be partakers of the work; nor was it long till their prayers were answered. Sometime in November, Richard McNamar gave them a call on his return from a meeting of Presbytery at Cincinnati. held several meetings. and no small stir took place on the occasion.

The work began in an evening society which met at Elder Francis Beedle's - several fell powerless under the operation, exhibiting all the symptoms of the common revival exercises, so that the place became awful by reason of the voices of the assembly and those involuntary agitations of which the generality had only heard a distant report. This small beginning was thankfully received & faithfully cherished and thence forward the spirit of the work operated like leaven in a mass of dough & occasionally might be compared to fire in dry stubble. Toward the last of December they had another visit when the work was more extended through that and ~~some of~~ the congregation of Grangedale on the Big Miami. In March 1802 Richard moved with his family to Turtlecreek and was located as pastor of the congregation, and the work still increasing attracted visitants and spectators from all quarters and induced a general supply of preaching in all the Presbyterian vacancies round about.

The first public meeting held at Beulah was about the last of May 1802. The meeting was held at James Pattersons, and the congregation was considerable, but the word preached profited but little, there being but little faith in them that heard it. However as light increased the power succeeded, which prepared the people for a respectable communion (or camp meeting) about the middle of June 1803. At this meeting Robert Marshall from Kentucky with James Kemper, Richard McNamer & John Thompson attended. The most memorable circumstance that is noted of this occasion was, that the people were divided, part held with Kemper a sober & rigid Calvinist, but the principal part with the other three, It is particularly recollected that on saturday M. Kemper preached from Isa. 22.23. making predestination the nail in a sure place, on sabbath morning Marshall followed, and literally fulfilled the context verse 25 for in that day was the nail fastened in the sure place removed, cut down and fell, and the burden that was upon it was cut off." The contest grew so warm & the exercises so powerful that in the afternoon Kemper & his company withdrew from the meeting & retreated homeward.

The effect of this meeting served to excite a spirit of free inquiry on the doctrinal points of difference, which ultimately prepared the congregation as a body for the approaching event which was a separation from the government of the Ch. Church which took place in the month of september following. After this separation, the place of meeting was changed to the stand about half a mile west of John Pattersons on the Dayton road, where a general camp-meeting was appointed about the last of July 1804. At this meeting the work was powerful, the gifts & exercises singular, and the light transcendent. The jerking & barking exercises were astounding, and the effects of a sermon preached by McNamer from Zech. 11. 7. to 14. are well remembered. The breaking the two staves (the Creed, & form of government) excited the most unbounded enthusiasm. - The breaking to pieces a beautiful system and a beautiful order of government on which millions were resting for support was so emphatically anounced, & so rhetorically pictured that it seemed as if the old heavens were already passing away with a great noise & the elements melting with fervent heat. But little did the shouting multitude realize the import of what was to follow the breaking of those staves, that a residue were to devour mastricate every one the flesh of another. Such however was the progress of the work, and such was the state of matters at Beulah when the Testimony of Christ's second appearing was opened and received at Turtlecreek in the month of March 1805.

The shock that was felt on that occasion in all those Revival societies, is indescribable Turtlecreek being considered the first and foremost of them all, and respected as a safe example in all matters of faith and discipline; and more after such powerful and convincing evidences that this separating work was of God.

and that we were on the Lord's side; for the leaders of that society to yield the palm to a foreign mission and own a superior light, was astounding to the last degree. The 27th of April had been appointed as a general camp-meeting to be held at Turtlecreek; and great were the expectations of all for the events of that meeting as that year had been marked out, by the spirit of prophesy as pregnant with the final results, of the past and present work; which according to the prevailing sense, could be nothing short of the descent of the holy city from God out of heaven, & the beginning of the reign of Christ on earth.

But how strange and inexplicable the manouvres in the front of our revival procession! Instead of continuing to swell the cry, "Come Lord Jesus Come quickly! Rend the heavens and come down!" All is silent, except a gentle whisper "The Master is come and calleth for thee!" What! says the drowsy watchmen, The master come and we not know it. We have heard no rumbling chariots nor sounding trumpets, rending the azure blue! We have seen no pearly gates unfolded, nor angelic legions brightening the hemisphere with their glittering robes & splendid artilery. Nothing new is heard of but that three strange men had arrived with a testimony that Christ had actually made his second appearance, That his throne and the place of the soles of his feet were among the despised people called Shakers, where he intended to dwell forever.

What this sudden change of sense at Turtle Creek should mean was hardly to be conjectured, However the camp meeting was no less an object of interest and curiosity which attracted a multitude of people, & among the rest, the principal part of Beulah congregation, of whom none were more distinguished for good sense and spiritual discernment than Phebe Patterson and Peggy Buchannan, who happily came divested of prejudice, & willing to hear and judge for themselves, regardless of popular opinion, and the result was a unified and settled conviction, that the testimony then & there opened to them was the everlasting truth of God, and pointed out the only way of salvation. This impression they never lost, altho it was nearly a year after before the way was opened for them to obey their faith.

William Stuart and others, at the same time, received a measure of faith, Insomuch that William invited Isachar and Benjamin to make a visit to Beulah as soon as convenient. This visit was made early in the month of June The meeting was held at John Buchannan's and the testimony opened, which served in a measure to increase the faith which had been already planted. In the mean time the Revival preachers were stirred up to redoubled zeal to hold the congregation back, and the people were so linked together in their family and social connections, that it required time & patience for the leaven to work till the whole were leavened who pertained to that degree of preparation

Chap. II.

The gathering together and constituting the first class of Believers in Society Order

While creatures can take pleasure in sin, they will never change it for the reputedly barren virtues of a holy life; and as long as they can hope for salvation, any other way, they will never chuse a life of self denial & the cross.

Nothing we presume was ever exhibited one side of the true gospel, that inspired a brighter hope of eternal felicity than was exhibited by the spirit of the revival in its early stages. None that ever experienced that work pretended to doubt the way of the cross being a safe way.

But to believe that it was the only way was the pinch with many. Hence the Revival plan had to be thoroughly tried, and some who would gladly have come into the gospel in the beginning had to wait on others & help them thro' with their revival work till they could come to a mutual conviction that singing and praying, jerking & barking, shouting & shaking hands could never take them to heaven. But as the crop now stood in their way and it was difficult to get round it, it became necessary to add ambition to their former zeal, & shout to joie with a sang froyd show of power that was not so animating to the hopes of an honest and judicious soul, which gradually brought matters to a bearing with individuals.

John Huston an amiable young man, by trade a wheelwright & by occupation a farmer, having acquired every necessary convenience for embarking in the honorable course of the world; did not hesitate to set the first example at Beulah of forsaking all for Christ's sake and the gospel. Some time in October 1805. he came down to Turtle creek & opened his mind returned home and stood as a pillar about five months before there was any further opening. In February 1806. John Stuart opened his mind and came out openly in support of the testimony.

Some time in March 1806. another visit was made by Ispachar and Benjamin, during which a number opened their minds to wit. Phibe Patterson, Peggy Buchanan, William & Sally Stuart, James and Betsy Milligan, Caty Stuart, sister to John Patterson, & Abram Suttard. These were associated for holding meetings, and John Stuart appointed first in care, who filled that lot with much acceptance for two years and about 4 months.

Some weeks after after this general breaking forth, John Thompson came on for his last effort, if possible to check their progress; bring them to retract the steps they had taken or at least deter the remnant from taken the same course. For this purpose he chose for his text, Acts iii. 22.23. "A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you &c. After exhibiting Christ as the great prophet and the awful penalty of disobeying him, to be destroyed or cut off from any fellowship with God's people. He observed that under the law, the Jews were the only people of God, but under the gospel there is no distinction between Jew and Gentile, but God claims all the world as his people of course that to fall under this awful sentence now, must incur a fatal and final cutting off or separation from the whole world. This logical paraphrase was rather diverting than alarming to the Believers. as they felt prepared, with much composure to meet the terrible sentence of excommunication. After meeting Thompson asked his old friend Patterson what he thought of the sermon. To which the Captain replied "You did somehow blunder into the truth, perhaps you did not intend it." At which Thompson was so offended, that he immediately got his horse, gathered his company and moved off to George Pattersons to hold their evening meeting.

Ispachar and Benjamin being present on this memorable occasion, the Believers were much strengthened and confirmed in their faith, and John Patterson for his disobedience to Thompson being excommunicated cut off from the whole world, sought his relation to the little company, and from that period till his death, filled a respectable lot among Believers.

James and Jane Patterson, and Rachel Suttard opened their minds in June 1806. and in the spring of the year 1807, on the same day Eunice Patterson & Jane Buchanan set out.

The same spring 1807. James Milligan moved to John Huston's, also Abram Southard and several single persons including Peggy Buchanan who was banished on account of her faith. These made a considerable family. At the same time John Huston, moved to Union Village to take the lot of deacon at the East house where he remained, till the year 1811.

Chap. iii. Various changes and Additions.

In the year 1806. the society consisted of three principal families. viz. John Patterson's, James Milligan's and William Stuart's. John Stuart moved in to John Patterson's family, in the fall of 1806. James Patterson moved into that family in March 1807. ~~In the meantime the faith of the gospel continued to spread~~ The family then contained 15 members old and young. James family were 10 in number and William Stuarts 8. in all 33 mimbers, old & young composed the society in the year 1807. In the meantime ~~the faith of the gospel continued~~ to spread, which opened a considerable field of Labor up Madriver. John Eastwood received faith and opened his mind July 10. 1807. and in August following Caty Eastwood opened her mind. They had ten children which with J. and C. made 12 of a family.

Soon after James and Peggy Dewit received faith and set out, having 7 children, in family nine. David Grummon opened his mind & set out in February 1808. Rachel also opened her mind in May following and deceased a few weeks after. The family all came into the gospel in number eleven members. These three families moved in to the society, in the years 1809 & 1810. Benjamin Simonton's family four in number moved in, June 12. 1812.

The family of Alexander Hughey, (9) was added January 1812.
The family of John Rice (in number 8) was added January — 1813.
The family of Thomas Williams (7) was added March 14. — 1815.
The family of John Jackson consisting of 8 members was added in February 1815.
The family of John Davis, six in number came in the year — 1812
The family of James Martin (10 in number) was added in January 1814
William & Sally Phillips with one child came in the spring of the year 1821.

There are the principal families that constituted and supported the the society from its first commencement. Including the family of James Ball and that of John Maxson containing thirteen persons who came in the year 1818. various other families and individuals from time to time passed in & out, without affecting the foundation, or real strength of the community.

After the decease of John Stuart, who departed this life June 18th 1808, William Stuart and James Patterson were put in care of the society. On the 8th of February 1809. James Patterson with his family moved back to his own place and was joined by Abram Southard & family the next day. John Huston, John Hutchinson, Rosanna Shields, Peggy Worley, Milly Jordan & Molly Kitchel were sent from the village and were added to the family of John Patterson, Sept. 12. 1811. and the next day John and Phebe Patterson moved to the village. John Huston then became head of the first family, in temporal care and second in spiritual care with

James Patterson (3.E.) who had moved back into that family October 16. 1811. and in January 1812 was appointed first in spiritual care.
Peggy Worley (1.E.) (now called Miriam) stood with James Patterson and Rosanna (called Charity) with John Huston. Abram Southard (1st Trustee) was appointed trading deacon April 1. 1812. (First Trustee)
In February 1815. James Patterson and Miriam exchanged lots with John Huston (4.E.) and Charity (2.E.); and Sidney Davis (1.D.) was appointed deaconess the same time. And at the same time James Milligan (2.D.) was appointed farm Deacon.
The same year 1815. Abram Southard deceased in the month of April and John Martin (2nd T.) succeeded him in the trading gift. And in the month of September 1817. Martin was released and Culberson Patterson (3rd T.) took his place. John Huston deceased in September 1817. and James Patterson (5.E.) again became first Elder of the society. Nathaniel Taylor (3.E.) was put in as a help with James the first of November following (i.e. in 1817)
Miriam Worley returned home to the village, September 25th and Molly Kitchele (3rd E.) took her place. — James Milligan resigned his deaconship in February 1819. and Thomas Williams (3.D.) took his place. Charity Shields deceased May 12th 1818, and Molly Kitchel (3.E.) took her place with Patience Milligan (3rd E.) 2d.
October 31st 1820. the first family moved into the new center house, and James Patterson, Nathaniel Taylor, Betsey Milligan (4.E.) & Molly Kitchele (3rd E.) were appointed the Eldership. Thomas Williams farm deacon, and Culberson office deacon, Rachel Zane deaconess, and Louisa Milligan & Betsey Simonton family deaconesses. This family contained 28 brethren, and 38 sisters in all 66 members.

The remainder of the society constituted a family at the old centre, under the care of Alexander Hughey as Elder James Milligan deacon, Jane Patterson & Olive Gee with them as leading sisters. This family contained 31. members.
In July 1823. Alexr Hughey and Jane Patterson moved to the west or gathering family, and Wm Martin, Joseph Eastwood, Prudence Grummon & Olive Gee, were left in care of the north family. October 14th 1824. The said North family moved into the new brick house (now the office) said family containing 16 brethren & 16 sisters.
Alexander Hughey was appointed Elder Brother of said family Joseph Eastwood the second, Betsey Milligan Elder Sister and Olive with her. Thomas Williams family Deacon, Temperance Patterson & Mary Ann Barber deaconesses.
The title of Elder Brother and that of Elder Sister were first conferred on J. Patterson and Betsey Milligan in May 1822. Which title James sustained till his death.
At the decease of Elder Brother James, Nathaniel Taylor was first in care of the society,

Isaac Martin with him, till October 9th 1822. when Robert Baxter came & resumed the title of Elder Brother. being first in care of the society. A number of brethren came from the village with Robert Namely Benjamin Simonton James Pegg, Geo. Barber, & soon after William Devore, John (Jethro) Boyd, Robert [illegible], Abram Withim, Sam'l Bell, Jonathan Lence, Abijah Wheeler & Joseph Eastwood. Nathanice remained in the Eldership with Robert till the 16th of Aug't following, when he was released and returned home to the village. About the last of sep.r following (1823) Molly Kitchell also was released and returned home, and Electa Morrell took her place.

When Elder Sister Betsey was moved to the North in 1824. Eunice Patterson took her place at the center, and Eliza Davis was placed with her July 14. 1825.

October 24th 1824. Elder Ifachar Bates and Joshua Worley came as helps in the ministry & Eldership, & Nathanice being released Joshua took his place with Robert. Elder Issachar was placed up garret in the ministerial department, Isaac Martin with him for company. But after the decease of John Naylor in 1826. Joshua was called home to take charge of the tanyard & family at the square house and Daniel Martin took his place with the Elder Brother.

July 8. 1826 Jane Buchanan was put in with Elder sister Eunice Patterson. Eliza being released and on the 6th of January 1827. Elder sister Eunice being released Jane Buchanan remained in her lot without title, and Rachel Zane as her help and so the order stood until the arrivae of Salome Dennis and Eunice Bedle on the 13th of April 1827. On this occasion the order was radically changed, at the center The Elder Brother leaving his title to keep house, ascended to the garret as second to Elder Ifachar, with the title of Br. Robert, Eldress Salome and sister Eunice being located opposite in a corresponding relation, since which period the several departments of the lower house have been variously occupied. The family deaconship has been a kind of pro tem. business. except that James Milligan has acted the part of a careful husbandman, thro all the changes that have taken place.— Note the middle room 2d floor which pertained to the Eldership was occupied by D. Martin & others till July 1828. Henry Miller got possession of it. and remained there till he was moved to the west.

Of the Mill Family: We find on record the following items concerning the Mill family:— This family began to be formed Oct. 16. 1811. under the care of James & Betsey Milligan, and so continued until January 1813, when Betsey was taken to the school to take care of the children, Jane Patterson took her place. James Milligan moved to John Westfall

January 18 1813. and Alex^r Hughey took his place. Alex^r and Jane continued in care of that family till October 31st 1820. when the family broke up, it being the time that the center family was constituted in the new brick house.

Of the Deacon's office.

The public office was first started at the north family, and continued there till the center house was finished. The trading deacons then moved to the mill and continued there till the year 1825. They then moved to the center house, & occupied the middle rooms on the first floor and continued there till the north brick house was finished and taken for the office, and James Ball and John Martin moved thither June 10th 1827. Previous to this period, viz. in November 1825. Alex^r Hughey & Betsey Milligan moved to the west, leaving Joseph Eastwood Elder Brother & Stephen Jones second and Jane Patterson the Elder sister. This order continued until June 16th 1827 when most of the members of the family moved to the center, and the office deacons took possession; Sidney Davis being first deaconess in that order.

May 2. 1830 Betsey Milligan and Eliza Davis moved to the office as deaconesses, and have held that lot principally ever since.

December 27th 1831. John Martin went to the world & James Ball was left alone to serve. ~~Note. When Alexander was [illegible] John Martin was [illegible] this place.~~

Chap. IV

An account of matters relating to the school.

The children were gathered into school order October 16th 1817, in two log buildings on the premises of William Stuart. There were twenty three children fourteen boys and nine girls. viz. of the family of William Stuart, John, William, George and Jeremiah. Of the family of John & Caty Eastwood, Joseph, Maximilian, John (called Moses) and David. — George Dewit, Barna Dewit, John Patterson James N. Patterson Stephen Jones, Cornelius Doris. Peggy Patterson, Caty Milligan Betsey Dewit, Polly Dewit, Rebecca Dewit, Ruth Dewit, Betsey Eastwood Caty Doris, Molly Patterson.

The school was under the care of William Stuart, Jane Patterson & Prudence Grummon until July 1812, when Nehemiah Grummon took the care of the boys about two months, after which the boys were without teacher till Nov. 16, 1812 when John Hutchison took charge of the school, Jane Patterson was removed & and Betsey Milligan took her place Jan 4 1813. In March 1815, John H. was removed & James Martin took his place. In 1816, the buildings were moved east of where the meeting house stands, where William Martin & Thomas Taylor were put in care of the boys, Betsey Milligan still had charge of the girls. In the beginning of the year 1817 there were 24 boys and 23 girls, from that time they gradually decreased in number till October 31st the order broke up and mixed with other families.

An account of Deceases.

Caty Stuart, aged 64. deceased Nov 20. 1807
John Stuart aged 28. — June 18. 1808
Abram Southard aged 35, April 18, 1815.
Sally Voris — aged 25 — May 18. 1810
Polly Woodruff — aged 25 — Septem. 3. 1814
Isabella Davis aged — 45. April 20, 1815
John Huston Aged 46, Septem. 21. 1817
Lucy Southard aged 41 Sep. 6. 1817
Samuel Martin aged 13. Oct. 2. 1817
Hiram Barker aged 18. Oct. 29. 1817
Rosanna Shields aged 40, April 12. 1818.
Dennis Ball — aged 18 months Aug. 6. 1818
Peggy Dewit — aged 45, Aug. 4. 1822
Polly Marson aged 18. Aug. 26 1822
Patience Milligan aged 26. Sept. 2. 1822.
Jos. Patterson aged — 45. Sept. 24 1822
Elizabeth Arnold —— May 29. 1823.
Zeruah Martin Aug. 8. 1823
Benjamin Simonton — Sep. 15. 1823
Nancy Barber aged 67, Sep. 21. 1823.
Cynthia Ann Phillips Sep. 24. 1823
Anna Gee aged 15 — Sep. 26, 1823.
Peggy Baxter aged 15. Sep. 28. 1823
Permelia Burnam aged 2. Aug. 22. 1824
Jasi[illegible] Marson —— Nov. 18. 1824
Polly Martin Aug. 12 1825
Prudence Grummon May 17 — 1827
Prudence Ball aged 18. Nov. 23. 1827.
Salome Douglas aged 60. Feb. 4. 1828.
Abigail Jones Feb. 8 1829
Betsey Williams aged 34. Dec. 14th 1830
Ruth Baxter Jan 4. 1831. Michal Hughey Oct. 2 (1829.
Polly Taylor aged 60. May 28. 1831.
Mary Walker aged 30 " 11. 1831.
Nancy Jackson aged 39. July 1. 1832

A list of Departures.

The first Church covenant was executed May 25th — 1815. and subscribed by 21 Brethren and 30 sisters. The second edition was executed Dec. 7 1818. No departure of members at that period. succeeding departures are as follows

1. Josiah Eastwood absconded Dec. 27. 1818.
2. Ebenezar T. Duffey —— September 1823.
3. Betsey Dewitt June — 1824
4. Molly Patterson January 30 1826
5. James Pegg March 23. 1826
6. William Martin May 1. 1827
7. Max. Eastwood August 6. 1827
8. Polly Cotrece August 27. 1827
9. George Barber March, 1827
10. Caty Milligan November 28. 1828
11. Thomas Taylor March 28. 1829
12. Polly Eastwood October 1829
13. Stephen Jones. June 1st 1829
14. Rebecca Dewitt May 9th 1830
15. Adam B. Hughey October 10. 1830
16. Rebecca Marson August 8. 1830
17. Spencer Dewitt Nov. 28. 1830
18. John Martin Dec. 27. 1831
19. Betsey. Martin January 5. 1832
20. Aveline Davis Jan — 17. 1832
21. James D. Martin February 6. 1832
22-23. Sarah, Huston & Lydia Ball Mar. 4 1832
24. Culberson Patterson March 11. — 1832
25. ~~John Taylor~~ Stockton Davis March 12 1832
26, 27. Isaac Martin & Sidney Davis, the same day
28. Caty Voris March 24. 1832
29. John Taylor April 7. 1832
30. Harriot Rice soon after in 1832.
31. Christian Slade Otober 22. * 1832
32. Henry. Miller Dec. 20. 1833
33 & 34. 35. Alva W. Bostwick & Rhoda — in 1833

We The undersigned and duly appointed ministers of the gospel, being assembled in council and having duly examined the foregoing General Review of the most important events, relating to the rise and progress of the United Society of Believers at Waterville in the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, have upon good authority agreed & do hereby agree that the same is correct & worthy of credit relating to all cases therein mentioned.

Given under our hands this 26th day of May Anno Domini 1833.

Benjamin Seth Youngs
Issachar Bates
Molly Goodrich
Mercy Pickett.

Test Richard McNamee Ch. Scribe

Deceases Continued

James Grummon.	Sept. 12 M.	1835
Jane Gallaghar.	Oct 10th 5 P.M	1835
Alexander Hughy.	March 29.	1841
Drusilla Roberts.	Oct. 30th	1836
Sally Phillips.	Nov 6th	1836
Rachel McCowen (aged 86½)	Oct 26 —	1838
Hetty Ball.	Dec. 12th	1838
James Milligan	Dec. 30th	1838
David Grummon.	April 3d	1839
John Reed Jr.	Aug. 30th	1841
Eunice Beadle (E. Sister)	Dec. 13th	1842
John (L.) Eastwood.	June 30th	1844
Abner Reynolds.	Sept. 3rd	1845
Thomas Thompson.	Jan 17th	1846
Phebe Clater	April 10th	1846
James Martin	July 12th (Aged 102!)	1847
Henry Reed	March 29th	1849
Betsy Milligan	Aug. 21st	1849
Nehemiah Grummond	April 5th	1853
Caty Eastwood	May 21st	1854
Jane Patterson	June 14th	1854
Rachel Lane	March 2	1855
Elizabeth Simonton	April 26th	1855
Polly Eastwood.	April 26	1856
Franky Silence	Dec. 9th	1852

Deceases Continued

Kezia Hughy.	April 3.	1857
Wesley Bell	March 28	1858
David Eastwood	August 26	1861
William Teitch	November 26	1861
John Crane	August 7	1839
William Molder	25	1849
John Griffeth	August 25	1850

These last three not members of this society

Phebe Howard	May 30	1863
Eleanor Jackson	Oct 29	1863
Eliza Davis	November 16	1865
Ellen Olivet Anderson	Sept. 13	1867
Thomas Williams	Dec 2	1867
Arastus Finney	Mar 26	1869
Matilda Williams died	Jan 29	1874
Jane Tucker died	Mar. 15	1875
Mary Ann Duff	Nov 9	1875
Mary Thompson	Nov. 21	1876
Elizabeth Lewis died	Feb. 20	1873
Betsy Lipe died	June [illegible]	1878
Stephen Joyce.	Jan. 16	1881
Frederick [illegible] died	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	aged 9 years and [illegible] days	

the deceased at Waterville continued 1882

Margaret or Peggy Patterson departed this life
January the 12 1882

RECORDS

of

The Church

or

United Society of Believers;

At

WATERVLIET

In the

County of Montgomery and State of Ohio.

Copy of The Church covenant. 1845.

Whereas we the subscribers, denominated by each other Believers in Christ, having received the testimony of the gospel through the ministration of the Church at New Lebanon, in the township of Canaan, county of Columbia and state of New-York: And believing, according to the distinguishing faith of said Church, that Christ has actually made his appearance the second time, without sin unto salvation; and has begun to establish his kingdom of righteousness and peace on earth, which is free to all people and will stand forever: And being made partakers of that light and power of God which has called and enabled us to take up a full and daily cross against the world, the flesh and all evil in our knowledge, and to follow Christ in the regeneration, by which, we believe God, according to his everlasting promise, will gather together in one all things in Christ, which are in heaven & upon earth: And having taken sufficient precaution to prove our faith, and being fully satisfied that it is the faith of the only true gospel into which we are called: And feeling it to be our duty and privilege, according to the holy scriptures, the present call of God, and the civil and religious rights secured to us, in common with other citizens, to obey our faith in all things and to chuse that manner of life which we believe to be the most acceptable to God and most profitable to the spiritual good and welfare of ourselves and others: And moreover, it being our faith that the union and relation of the Church of God in one joint interest is a situation the most acceptable to God, and productive of the greatest good of any state or situation attainable on earth: therefore, in obedience to our own faith, we have dissolved every band and tie of the flesh, or fallen nature of this lost world, and covenanted & agreed as brethren and sisters in the gospel to gather and unite in one body as a religious community, to be constituted, built up and established upon the principles & rules of the Church of Christ aforesaid: And as God, according to his promise, has begun to give his people one heart and one way that they may serve him forever, we do, therefore, expressly agree to and with each other, that the order of God made known in his Church we will observe and keep as delivered to us, with all and singular the rules, manners and customs of the Church in relation to union, communion and fellowship, - the rights, privileges & duties of the members, as also offices of trust and care, in the disposal and management of the joint interest of the Church according to the following articles of covenant.

I. We severally and jointly agree to gather and be constituted in the form and

order of a family or branch of the Church at Union Village in the county of Warren and state of Ohio, under the spiritual care of Elder David Darrow and Elderess Ruth Farrington whom we acknowledge to be our beloved parents in the gospel, and in union with them we cordially receive as helpers of our faith, our beloved brethren John Huston and James Patterson, appointed by the gift of God to have the immediate rule over us, and to watch for our souls and admonish us: therefore according to the rule and order of the gospel, it shall be our duty at all times, to reverence and respect them, in their gift and calling - to be subject to them in the Lord - to follow their faith, and to esteem them very highly in love for their works' sake.

II. That as it is fit and proper that certain individuals should be intrusted with the care and management of the temporal interest of this branch of the Church we do therefore call ~~and~~ appoint, ordain our beloved brethren John Wallace and Nathan Sharp to the office of Deacons or trustees of this branch of the Church, mutually promising and covenanting to and with them the said John and Nathan that they are duly vested with the said office of Deacons or trustees and empowered to exercise all the duties thereof according to the rules and regulations of the Church heretofore known and practised and which are herein after briefly stated.

III. All who are received as members of the Church are to be of lawful age to act for themselves and to offer themselves freely and voluntarily as a religious duty and according to their own faith and desire; and such as have property & are free from debt or any just demand from those who are without, are allowed, according to their own faith, to bring in and devote as a part of the joint interest of ~~(the Church this branch of the Church)~~ the family, all such property as they hold and have an indisputable right to as their lawful interest; and the joint interest of this branch thus formed and established, by the free-will offerings of the members respectively shall be held & possessed by the whole body jointly, as their natural and religious right; that is, all and every individual of or belonging to this family or branch of the Church shall enjoy equal rights and privileges in the use of all things pertaining to the family, according to their order and as every one has need, without any difference being made on account of what any one brought in: and it shall be the duty of all the members to support and maintain the joint interest of the family, according to their several abilities, as members one of another, each in their order improving the manifold gifs of God for the good of the whole.

IV. That it shall be the duty of the Deacons or trustees aforesaid to take the immediate charge and oversight of all and singular the property, estate and interest devoted and given up as aforesaid to the joint interest of this branch of the Church, with all gifts, grants or donations that may at any time be given or devoted for this

benefit of this branch of the Church, or for the relief of the poor, or any such charitable purpose or use; and the said joint interest, estate, gifts, grants and donations shall be held by them, in the capacity of deacons or trustees, and shall be and remain forever, inviolably, under the care and oversight of the deaconship aforesaid in a continual line of succession. And we do, by these presents, covenant, promise & agree that all the transactions of the Deacons aforesaid in the management and disposal of the property aforesaid, shall be for the mutual benefit of this branch of the Church, jointly, and to no personal or private end or purpose whatever, so that the individuals appointed to the office of deacons or trustees, of this branch of the Church, shall be vested with the power and authority of managing, disposing, and making all lawful defence for the security and protection of the joint interest and privileges ~~of the~~ of this branch of the Church, and all the transactions of the aforesaid deacons or trustees, their lawful agents, successors or assigns shall be valid, so long as they act in their official capacity, in union with the body, according to the tenor of this covenant, and no longer.

V. And further we covenant and agree that it shall be the duty of the trustees aforesaid, to keep or cause to be kept in a book or books provided for that purpose, a true copy of this covenant, together with all other records or matters of a publick nature that may be necessary for the information of all concerned, and for the security of the joint interest, aforesaid, committed to their care.

VI. And moreover as the whole end, design and purpose of our thus uniting in church relation, is to receive and diffuse the manifold gifts of God to the mutual comfort and happiness of each other as brethren and sisters in the gospel, and for the relief of the poor, the widow and fatherless, and such as may be deemed real objects of charity; therefore, according to the faith, manner, rule, order and example of the church of which we are now constituted a branch, we do freely and voluntarily covenant ~~and~~ promise and agree together, each for ourselves, our heirs and assigns that we shall never, hereafter, make any account of any property, labor, or service devoted by us, to the purposes aforesaid, nor bring any charge of debt or damage nor hold any demand whatever against the Church or community or any member thereof on account of either property or service, given, rendered, or consecrated to the aforesaid sacred and charitable uses. *And in confirmation of all the aforesaid statements, covenants, promises, and articles of agreement we have hereunto subscribed our names, beginning on this 25th day of the fifth month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen. 1815.*

★ Brethren's names.	Sisters' names.
1 John Huston	1 Rosanna Shields.
2 James Patterson	2 Peggy Worley
3 James Milligan	3 Polly Kitchel

4 David Grummon
5 Alexander Hughey
6 John Eastwood
7 James Grummon
8 Benjamin Simonton
9 Thomas Taylor
10 Josiah Eastwood
11 John Taylor
12 John Martin
13 William Martin
14 Isaac Newton
15 James Martin
16 Thomas Williams
17 Isaac Martin
18 Ebenezer T. Duffey.
19 Culberson Patterson
20 David Stockton Davis.
21 Joseph Eastwood
22 Sisters Names.
23 Elizabeth Milligan
24 Jane Patterson
25 Rachel Southard
26 Caty Eastwood
27 Keziah Hughey

4 Polly Taylor
5 Rachel Zane
6 Elizabeth Simonton
7 Sidney Davis
8 Abigail Jones
9 Edith Gee
10 Eliza Davis
11 Polly Grummon
12 Betsey Milligan
13 Isabella Hughey
14 Hadassah Eastwood
15 Polly Eastwood
16 Mary Ann Duffey
17 Polly Martin
18 Kitty Milligan
19 Evelina Davis.
20 Elizabeth Williams
21 Mary Edie
22 Betsey Martin
23 Polly Cottrell
24 Peggy Patterson
25 Elizabeth Dewitt.

The Form or Copy of The Church Covenant

Renewed and Improved, December seventh 1818.

State of Ohio Montgomery county—

Whereas we the subscribers, denominated by each other Believers in Christ, having received the testimony of the gospel through the ministration of the Church, known by the name of Shakers at New Lebanon in the township of Canaan, county of Columbia and state of New York, and believing, according to the distinguishing faith of said Church, that Christ hath actually made his appearance the second time without sin unto salvation, and hath begun to establish his kingdom of righteousness and peace on earth, which is free to all people and will stand forever: And being made partakers of that power of God which hath called and enabled us to take up a full and daily cross against the world, the flesh and all evil in our knowledge, and to follow Christ in the regeneration, by which, we believe, God, according to his everlasting promise, will gather together into one, all things in Christ which are in heaven and upon earth: And having taken sufficient time and precaution to prove our faith, & being fully satisfied that it is the faith of the only true gospel into which we are called, And feeling it to be our duty and privilege according to the scriptures, the present call of God, and the civil and religious rights secured to us in common with other citizens to obey our faith in all things, and to choose that manner of life which we believe is most acceptable to God and most profitable to the spiritual and temporal good and welfare of ourselves and others: and being fully persuaded that the union and relation of the church of God in one joint interest, is the most pleasing to God, and productive of the greatest good of any thing attainable on earth; and according to our faith having entered into a covenant to gather together and be constituted as a family or branch of the Church at Union Village holding one joint interest according to the gospel, which covenant upwards of for three years has been strictly kept and maintained, and being well satisfied from experience that the principles thereof are according to the true spirit of the gospel, and must stand good, both in law & conscience, according to the true sense and meaning thereof, and feeling it to be our duty and privilege, according to the increase of order in the

Church,

Church, to renew and confirm the said covenant, with such improvements as may be thought necessary for the present and future security of our rights & privileges; Therefore we do by these presents covenant and agree to renounce and disannul every band, tie and relation of the flesh, and to hold ourselves free and separate from all that pertains to the corrupt generation of fallen man, and as brethren and sisters in the gospel to support and maintain the form, order and relation of the church as a branch thereof under the immediate care and oversight of our beloved brethren James Patterson and Nathaniel Saylor as helps in the Ministry in union with David Darrow and Ruth Farrington who in we acknowledge as our spiritual parents in the work of regeneration and redemption, duly authorised & qualified by the gift of God to minister the only gospel of salvation to us; And whereas through the faithful discharge of their ministerial duties, we have received and been plainly taught the faith & order of the Church, in relation to the rights and privileges, lots and callings, gifts and duties of the members, with the rules, manners, and customs of the Church, in support of the unity, purity and peace of the body, and also the principles and practice of the Church in relation to the care, management, use and disposal of the joint interest of the church, all which, we are fully satisfied is according to the mind and will of God recorded in the scriptures; Therefore it is our faith and mutual agreement to ratify and confirm our covenant engagements to keep and maintain the faith and order, the principles and practice, and the rules, manners and customs of the the church as delivered to us and in particular to hold ourselves under sacred obligations to each other, strictly, to observe the following articles of agreement.

I We severally and jointly promise and agree to obey our parents in the Lord for this is right.—to honor our Father and Mother, which is the first comandment with promise.—to be subject to their counsel, reproof, correction and instruction in righteousness, and to all observe all things whatsoever they have comanded us,—to respect our brethren in spiritual care according to their gift and calling.—to be faithful in our respective duties, and to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace.

II. That as it is fit and proper that certain individuals should be intrusted with the care of the temporal interest of the Church as Deacons or Trustees and as Peter Pease and others have heretofore acted in that capacity, for the security and disposal of the joint interest of this branch of the church, we jointly agree that all just and lawful transactions of the deaconship heretofore be considered and supported as valid, and that such individuals as may hereafter be called to that office and trust be chosen according to the order of the Church and set apart by the Ministry through whom they are accountable to the body for all

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their official transactions, and being by the union of the body called, appointed and set apart to the said office of deacons or trustees, they shall be considered as duly authorised and empowered to exercise all the duties thereof according to the rules and regulations of the Church heretofore known and practised and which are herein after briefly stated.

III. All who are received as members of the Church are to be of lawful age to act for themselves and to offer themselves freely and voluntarily, as a religious duty, and according to their own faith and desire, and such as have property and are free from debt or any just demand from those who are without are allowed, according to their own faith, to bring in and devote, as a part of the joint interest of the Church all such property as they hold justly, and have an indisputable right to as their lawful interest, and the joint interest thus formed and established free from debt or blame, by the free will offerings of individuals, shall be held and possessed by the whole body jointly as their natural and religious right; that is, each and every member of or belonging to this branch of the Church shall enjoy equal rights and privileges in the use of all things pertaining to this branch of the church according to his or her calling and needs (so long as he or she remain obedient to the order and government of the Church) without any distinction being made on account of what any one brought in, and all the members are likewise holden and in duty bound to maintain and support the joint interest, in union and conformity to the order and government of the Church all in their respective callings improving their gifts and talents for the general good.

IV. That it shall be the duty of the deacons or trustees of the Church to have the charge and oversight of all and singular the property, estate and interest dedicated, devoted & given up as aforesaid to the joint interest of the Church with all gifts, grants and donations which may at any time be given or devoted for the benefit of the Church, or for the relief of the poor or any such charitable use or purpose, and the said joint interest, gifts, grants & donations shall be held by them in the capacity of deacons or trustees, & shall be and remain forever under the lawful protection, care and oversight of the deaconship of the Church in a continual line of succession. And we do, by these presents, mutually covenant, promise and agree that all the transactions of the deacons in the use and disposal of the joint interest of the Church shall be for the mutual benefit of the Church and in behalf of the whole body and to no personal or private end or purpose whatever.

And as it is not our design, in supporting a joint interest, to lay up a treasure of this worlds goods, but what is justly redeemed and consecrated to God to use and improve to his honor and glory; therefore it is our faith and agreement, never to bring into the joint interest of the Church, by purchase or otherwise any property which is not redeemed and free from all claim of debt or demand, and in all the transactions of the deacons & trustees we mean that this rule be strictly observed, not

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to bind themselves by any obligation or promise which would be considered as bringing the joint interest into debt. And should any one in the name of a deacon or trustee, or under any pretence whatever contract any debt on the pretended credit of the joint interest of ~~the joint interest of~~ the Church, we shall not consider ourselves bound to answer it, but the individual shall be considered as out of union with us, and personally accountable for his contracts. And furthermore, as it is our faith not to bring debt or blame against the church for any of our transactions, and as we personally hold no legal claim to any part of the consecrated property of the Church; therefore no deacon or trustee hath any right or authority to use the joint interest of the church, in paying any debt or damage, or answering any demands that may come against any of us as individuals: But in all cases it shall be the duty of the deaconship to see that the consecrated interest of the Church be appropriated to the purposes to which it is consecrated. And as it is the order and manner of the Church that all matters relating to the joint interest of the Church be transacted in union with the body, therefore according to this rule the deaconship of the Church is and shall be at all times duly authorised to manage and dispose of the property and interest of the Church in behalf of the body, and to make all lawful defence for the security and protection of the rights and privileges of the Church, according to the principles of union herein expressed.

V. And further we covenant and agree that it shall be the duty of the deacons to keep or cause to be kept in a book or books provided for that purpose a true copy of this covenant together with all other records or matters of a publick nature which may be necessary for the information and satisfaction of all concerned and for the security of the joint interest of the church committed to their care

VI. And moreover, as the whole end and design of our thus uniting in church relation is to receive and diffuse the manifold gifts of God to the mutual comfort and happiness of each other, as brethren and sisters in the gospel, and for the relief of the poor, the widow and fatherless, and such as may be deemed real objects of charity; therefore, according to the faith, order, and example of the Church, we do by these presents, solemnly covenant with each other for ourselves our heirs and assigns never hereafter to bring debt or demand against the deacons of the church, nor against their successors, nor any member of the church jointly or severally, on account of any of our services or property thus devoted and consecrated to the aforesaid sacred and charitable uses. And this covenant shall be a sufficient witness for us before all men, and in all cases relating to the possession order and use of the joint interest of the Church. And in confirmation of all the aforesaid statements, covenants, promises and articles of agreement we have, respectively, hereunto subscribed our names, beginning on this seventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

Brethren's names.

James Patterson — Thomas Taylor, — James Milligan, — Alexander Hughey, — David Grummon

John Eastwood, - Spencer Dewit, - Thomas Taylor, - Culberson Patterson, - Ebenezer L. Duffey - Thomas Williams, - Josiah Eastwood John Taylor, - Benjamin Simonton, - John Martin, - James Martin junr. - Isaac Martin, - James Grummon, - Isaac Houston, - James Martin - William Martin, - John Rue, - James Ball, - Maximilian Eastwood, - Joseph Eastwood, William Devore, David Stockton Davis, Stephen Jones, Moses Eastwood, James Pegg, James M. Patterson, Benjamin Hughey, John Boyd, George Barber, Henry Miller, John Maxson.

Sisters names; Polly Kitchel, Betsey Milligan, Jane Patterson, Caty Eastwood Elizabeth Milligan, Abigail Jones, Polly Grammon, Polly Eastwood, Edith Gee, - Polly Taylor, Rachel Zane, Polly Martin, Sidney Davis, Betsey Simonton, Caty Milligan, Eliza Davis, Peggy Patterson, Mary Ann Duffey, Eveline Davis, Betsey Williams, Nancy Jackson, - Rachel M'Ewing, Rachel Hustead, Lydia Casad, Betsey Dewit, Betsey Martin, Esther Eastwood, Matilda Rue, Polly Cottrell, Rachel Dennis, Marcs Edie, Hannah Bracken, Esther Ball, Hariet Rue, Catharine Davis, Peggy Martin, Peggy Rollins, Polly Dewit, Betsey Eastwood, Rebecca Dewit, Mary Baxter, Molly Serrepta Irene Patterson, Betsey Belcher, Eunice Hand, Lydia Ball, Elizabeth Maxson, Rebecca Maxson, Nancy Boyle, Peggy Naylor, Sarah G. Houston.

State of Ohio, Montgomery county.

This is to certify that on the seventh day of December in the year of our Lord 1818, we saw James Patterson, Thomas Taylor, James Milligan, Alexander Hughey, David Grumon, John Eastwood, Spencer Dewit, Thomas Taylor, Culberson Patterson, Ebenezar L. Duffey, Thomas Williams, Josiah Eastwood, John Taylor - Polly Kitchel, Betsey Milligan, Jane Patterson Caty Eastwood, Elizabeth Milligan, Abigail Jones, Polly Grumon, Polly Eastwood, Edith Gee, Polly Taylor, Rachel Zane, Polly Martin, Sidney Davis, Betsey Simonton, Caty Milligan, Eliza Davis, Peggy Patterson, Mary Ann Duffey, Eveline Davis, Betsey Williams, Nancy Jackson, Rachel M'Ewing, Rachel Hustead, Lydia Casad, Betsey Dewitt, Betsey Martin, sign the Church covenant at Waterfliet, as witness our hands — James Ball
William Babcock.

This is to certify that on the ninth day of December, in the year of our Lord 1818, we saw Benjamin Simonton, John Martin, James Martin Junr, Isaac Martin, James Grummon, Isaac Houston, Easter Eastwood, Matilda Rue and Polly Cottrell sign the church covenant at Waterfliet in the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio as witness our hands - James Ball
William Babcock -

This is to certify that on the fifteenth day of December in the year of our Lord 1818, we saw James Martin senr, William Martin, Rachel Dennis, and Marcess Edie sign the Church covenant at Waterfliet in the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, as witness our hands — James Ball
William Babcock.

This is to certify that on the 8th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen we saw Hannah Bracken sign the Church covenant at Waterviet in the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, as witness our hands, John Davis
John Martin

This is to certify that on the fifth day of December in the year of our Lord 1819, we saw John Rue sign the Church covenant at Waterviet, in the county of Montgomery & state of Ohio. as witness our hands, James Ball
William Martin

This is to certify that we saw James Ball, Maximilian Eastwood Esther Ball, Hariet Rue, Catharine Voris, Peggy Martin, Peggy Rollins, Polly Devit sign the church covenant at Waterviet in the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, on the 13th day of March 1822, witness our hands D. S. Davis
William Martin

This is to certify that we saw Joseph Eastwood and William Devore sign the Church covenant at Waterviet, Montgomery county, the same being September 2, 1823. — John Martin
Nathaniel Taylor.

This is to certify that we saw David S. Davis sign the Church covenant at Waterviet, Montgomery county, state of Ohio, September the 4th 1823. — John Martin
Thomas Taylor

This is to certify that we saw Betsey Eastwood sign the church covenant at Waterviet Montgomery county and state of Ohio, this 16th day of February 1824. Nathaniel Taylor
Elizabeth Milligan Robt Baxter

This is to certify that we saw Stephen Jones sign the Church covenant at Waterviet Montgomery county, state of Ohio, February 16, 1824 - Thomas Taylor.
William Martin.

This is to certify that we saw Moses Eastwood sign the Church covenant at Waterviet Montgomery county state of Ohio July 25, 1825. Joshu Worley
Robert Baxter.

This is to certify that we seen James Pegg, Molly Patterson, Betsey Belcher & Eunice Hand sign the Church covenant at Waterviet, Montgomery county, state of Ohio, July 26, 1825.
John Martin Robert Baxter

This is to certify that we seen James M. Patterson sign the Chuirch covenant at Waterviet Montgomery county state of Ohio, July 27. 1825. John Martin, Joshua Worley.

This is to certify that we seen Benjn Hughey sign the church covenant at Waterviet Montgomery county, state of Ohio. John Martin " Robert Baxter.

This is to certify that we seen John Maxson, Henry Miller, Elizabeth Maxson, Rebecca Maxson Nancy Biles, Peggy Naylor, Sarah g. Houston sign the Chuich covenant at Waterviet, Montgomery county state of Ohio, on the 3 day of September 1829. Witnes present William Phillips
William Morrison

Peter Pease
To } Deed.
Pease & Sharp Trustees

This Indenture made this twenty third day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen between Peter Pease of the county of Warren and state of Ohio of the one part, and Peter Pease and Nathan Sharp Deacons or Trustees of the Church or community of Believers otherwise called Shakers, at Union village in the township of Turtlecreek, county and state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth. That the said Peter Pease, for and in consideration of the sum of thirteen hundred dollars to him in hand paid, the receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge and forever acquit the said Peter Pease and Nathan Sharp, Trustees and their successors. Hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, alien, convey and confirm unto the said Peter Pease and Nathan Sharp deacons or agents acting for and in behalf of the Church aforesaid, and their successors forever all that tract or parcel of land, containing one hundred and sixty acres be the same more or less, it being the north east quarter of section numbered thirteen, town numbered two, in the seventh range of the land lying between the Great Miami and the Virginia reservation situate lying and being in the county of Montgomery & state aforesaid. Also ten acres off the north side of the south east quarter of the above named section, adjoining the north east quarter the land to lie as follows, to wit, one half mile to wit, one half mile from east to west and south for quantity to contain ten acres. Also one acre of land, more or less, to run, beginning at the high land where the old cabbin now stands in the south east quarter for the purpose of conveying water to a mile, on the most suitable ground and least injurious to the farm. To have and to hold the said granted and bargained premises with all the privileges & appurtenances to the same belonging, or in any wise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the Church or community aforesaid, and to be and remain inviolably in the possession & at the disposal of the deaconship of said church or community, & their assigns in a line of succession forever, according to the covenant of said Church bearing date July 14th one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. And the said Peter Pease for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators doth hereby covenant, promise and grant to and with the said Deacons or trustees and their successors in office, by these presents, that the premises before mentioned now are and forever shall remain free of and from all former and all other gifts, grants, bargains, sales, dowers, titles, troubles and incumbrances whatever, done or suffered to be done by him the said Peter Pease. And the said Peter Pease and his heirs all and singular the premises hereby bargained and sold with the appurtenances, unto the said Peter Pease & Nathan Sharp

Trustees

trustees and their successors in office and assigns, against him the said Peter Pease and his heirs and all and every other person or persons whatsoever, doth and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof the said Peter Pease hath hereunto set his hand and seal, the day and year first above written.

Sealed & delivered in presence of us } Ashbel Kitchee, Andrew Houston — Peter Pease (seal)

State of Ohio Warren county ss }
Before me John Welton a Justice of the peace in and for said county, came personally, Peter Pease who acknowledged the above indenture to be his act & deed, for the uses and purposes therein contained. Given under my hand and seal this 31st day of December one thousand eight hundred & eighteen.

John Welton J.P. (seal)

Received May 26th 1819, and Recorded July 20th 1819. }
in Book G. pages 353, & 354. — Warren Munger R.M.C. } Copied here March 12, 1832.

Alex. Hughey et ux To Peace, Wallace & Sharp } DEED

This Indenture made this 27th day of September in the year of our Lord 1813, between Alexander Hughey & his wife Hezia, of the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio of the one part, and Peter Pease, John Wallace and Nathan Sharp, deacons or trustees of the Church or community of Believers, (otherwise called Shakers) at Union Village in the township of Turtlecreek, county of Warren & state aforesaid of the other part, Witnesseth: That the said Alexander Hughey and Hezia his wife, for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred and five dollars to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and forever acquit and discharge the said Peter Pease John Wallace and Nathan Sharp and their successors, Hath granted bargained, sold, aliened, conveyed, and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien and confirm unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace and Nathan Sharp Deacons or agents acting for and in behalf of the Church aforesaid and their successors forever, All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the county of Montgomery and state aforesaid being the south west half quarter of section No. fourteen in the second township & seventh entire range between the Miami rivers, containing eighty acres. To have & to hold the said premises with all and singular the appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp and their successors and assigns forever, to the only proper use and behoof of the said church or community and to be and remain, inviolably, in the possession and at the deaconship of said church and their assigns in a line of succession forever, according to the covenant of said church bearing date January 14th 1812. And the said

Alexander Hughey and his wife Kezia their heirs executors and administrators do covenant promise and agree to and with the said Peter Pease, John Wallace and Nathan Sharp and their successors as aforesaid, by these presents, that the premises before mentioned now are and forever hereafter shall remain free of and from all former and all other gifts, grants, bargains, sales, dowers, titles, troubles and incumbrances, whatever, done or suffered to be done by them the said Alexander Hughey and Kezia. And the said Alexander Hughey and Kezia and their heirs all & singular the premises hereby bargained and sold, with the appurtenances, unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace and Nathan Sharp and their successors in office and assigns, against them the said Alexander Hughey and Kezia his wife & their heirs and all and every other person or persons whatsoever do and will warrant and forever defend, by these presents. In witness whereof the said Alexander Hughey & Kezia his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

State of Ohio } sealed & delivered in presence of us } Alexander Hughey seal
Montgomery county } John Tolkerth, Abram southard } Kezia Hughey seal

Before me John Tolkerth a justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid personally came Alexander Hughey & Kezia his wife the within named grantors (the said Kezia being examined separately and apart from her husband and declaring herself under no compulsion or coercion) and acknowledged the within Deed of conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed for the uses & purposes therein contained. Witness my hand and seal this 28th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirteen. 1813. John Tolkerth J.P. seal

Received January 10th 1814. recorded Jan. 20. 1814. in book C. pages 252. 253. J. H. Crane R.M.C.

B and J. Crabs To Believers } Deed

This Indenture made this first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six between Benjamin Crabs and Margaret his wife and John Crabs of the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio of the first part, and James Ball and John Martin Deacons or trustees of the Church or community of Believers (otherwise called Shakers) at the village of Waterolict in the same county and state of the second part Witnesseth that the said Benjamin Crabs and John Crabs for and in consideration of the sum of two thousand dollars lawful money of the United states to them in hand well & truly paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, alien, convey and confirm unto the said James Ball and John Martin deacons acting for and in behalf of the church or community aforesaid and their successors and assigns forever. All that tract or parcel of land bounded as follows, to wit, Beginning at the north east corner of the North West quarter of section

thirteen, in township two of range seven between the great and little Miami rivers, and running from thence south with the eastern boundary of said quarter section forty chains and seventy two links to its south east corner; thence north eighty nine and a half degrees west on the south boundary of said section twenty four chains and sixty eight links to a post, from which a dogwood six inches diameter bears north forty degrees west eighteen links distant a sassafras four inches in diameter bears north forty eight degrees east twenty one links distant; thence north forty chains and thirty five links to a post in the north boundary of said section; thence east twenty four chains and sixty eight links to the place of beginning containing one hundred acres be the same more or less, situate, lying and being in the county of Montgomery & state of Ohio. And all the estate, right, title, ~~and~~ interest and demand of them the said Benjamin Crabs, and Margaret his wife and John Crabs of in and to the said premises and every part thereof together with all and singular the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the rents issues and profits thereof To have and to hold the premises hereby bargained and sold, or meant or intended to be, with the appurtenances to the only proper use and behoof of the said James Ball and John Martin and their successors and assigns forever as Deacons or Trustees and to be and remain, inviolably, in the possession and at the disposal of the deaconship of said Church and their successors and assigns forever, And the said Benjamin Crabs and John Crabs, for themselves their heirs, executors and administrators do promise, covenant and agree to and with the said James Ball and John Martin, deacons as aforesaid and their successors in office and assigns that they are the true and lawful owner of the premises hereby granted and have good right, full power and lawful authority to sele & convey the same, in manner and form aforesaid, And further that they the said Benjamin Crabs and John Crabs, their heirs, executors & administrators will warrant & forever defend the aforesaid premises with the appurtenances and every part & parcel thereof unto the said James Ball and John Martin, their successors in office and assigns, against all persons claiming or to claim by from or under them or any of them or by, from or under any other person or persons whomsoever. In witness whereof the said Benjamin Crabs and Margaret his wife & John Crabs have hereunto set their hands & seals the day and year first above written — Benjn Crabs (Seal)

Signed sealed & acknowledged
In presence of John Folkerth — Geo. C. Davis.

Margaret Crabs (Seal)
John Crabs (Seal)

(Seal) The state of Ohio } ss
Montgomery county } Before me John Folkerth a justice of the peace

within and for the county aforesaid, personally came Benjamin Grabs and Margaret his wife and John Grabs the above named grantors and acknowledged the above deed of conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein contained, the said Margaret being first by me examined separate and apart from her said husband, and the contents of the above deed fully made known to her, and declaring that she voluntarily and of her own free will and accord without any fear or coercion of her husband did and now doth acknowledge the signing and sealing thereof Witness my hand and seal this first day of April A.D. 1826. John Folkerth J.P.

Received for record April 1. 1826. and recorded July 27. 1826. in book K. pages 316. 317. Warren Monger R.M.C.C.

James Ball's Declaration of Trust.

Know all men by these presents that I James Ball of the county of Montgomery & state of Ohio, being a member of the religious society or Church of Believers at the village of Waterviliet in the county and state aforesaid known by the name of Shakers; and having been duly chosen and appointed one of the Trustees of the temporalities of said Church, to act in connection with John Martin as co-trustee of said temporalities; I the said James Ball by virtue of my said office of trustee, in connection with the said John Martin, and in Union with the leading authority of said Church, am authorised and empowered to hold, manage and improve the temporal property of said Church for the use and benefit thereof - to buy and sell and transact business in behalf of said Church, and fulfil all the obligations and perform the several duties of a trustee. And whereas I the said James Ball, in connection with the said John Martin have been and am vested, in trust, with the fee of the following lands and real estate belonging to the said Church, and now in the actual possession and occupancy thereof, by virtue of a certain deed or release executed by Benjamin Grabs and Margaret his wife and John Grabbs of Montgomery county aforesaid, bearing date April first 1826, and conveying to James Bale and John Martin trustees, one hundred acres of land being part of section thirteen, township two of range seven, between the Miami rivers, as by the said deed, reference being thereunto had, may more fully at large appear; and having in my possession, in connection with the said John Martin, the goods, chattels, and personal property belonging to the Church aforesaid, all which property and interests, all which property and interest real and personal is held by the trustees of said Church or community for the entire use and benefit of the members of said Church, jointly, as by the Constitution or covenant of said Church, bearing date December 7th. 1818, reference being thereunto had may also appear. Now therefore know ye, that I the said James Ball trustee in consideration of the premises, and for the purpose

of securing the true and faithful application of the property aforesaid, real and personal, to the sole use and benefit of the church aforesaid, DO hereby acknowledge and declare, that all and singular the lands, tenements and hereditaments, with every ~~with every~~ part and parcel of the estate, real and personal of the said church, by me claimed, managed and controlled, in connection as aforesaid, has been, by the leading authority of said Church, to me committed and by me received in trust for the express uses and purposes specified in said covenant or constitution, which covenant I have subscribed as a party, and according to which, I acknowledge myself under express obligations to hold, manage, occupy and improve the said property, interest and estate so committed or that may hereafter be committed to my care as such trustee according to the counsel and direction of the Elders of said church, to be accountable to the said Elders as guardians of the equal rights of members, for all my official transactions, and whenever requested by said authority, to give in writing or otherwise a just and true account of all such goods, chattels, money and other things as have or shall during my appointment as trustee come into my custody, in right of my said office: And in case of my resignation or removal from said office and upon the request of the Elders aforesaid, to deliver over and surrender to my successor or the next in office all such money, goods, chattels and property of every description as shall or may at the time be in my possession or subject to my lawful claim and also to execute any transfer, conveyance, quittclaim or other instrument necessary to vest in my successor or the next in said office the rights, titles, powers and authorities so vested in me by the church aforesaid touching the said interest.

And I the said James Ball for myself, my heirs executors and administrators do by these presents covenant, promise and agree to and with Issachar Bates and Robert Baxter the present Elders of the said Church and their successors, that the premises before described and all other lands and tenements, property & interest real & personal that now are, or hereafter may be confided to my possession care & management as trustee of the said Church, is duly consecrated, to the joint use and benefit of the members of the said Church whose names are subscribed to the said covenant or may hereafter be subscribed as members of the said community and that the trustees of the said Church being at all times limited by the rules & regulations prescribed in the said covenant, shall & lawfully may from time to time & at all times hereafter have, hold, occupy, possess, improve and enjoy the said premises & property of every description, for the uses & purposes aforesaid without the lawful let, suit, individual claim, interruption or molestation of me the said James Ball my heirs or assigns or of any other person or persons. whatsoever by or with my act, means, consent, priority or procurement. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 10th day of March 1832 James Ball (seal)

In presence of Richard McNamer. Christian Slade.

This will certify that on the 18th day of October 1834 we saw William Phillips sign the church covenant at Waterolict in the county of Montgomery, state of Ohio. avowedly of his own free choice for the purposes therein specified witness our hands. R. McNamer

Watervliet, March 30. 1832. Be it remembered — That according to the order & rule of the Church we the undersigned have carefully examined the preceding records comparing them with the originals, To wit the Church covenant of 1815. That of 1818 — The deed of conveyance by Peter Pease. That by Alex^r Hughey & That by Benjn & John Crabs — also the Declaration of trust by James Ball — All which may be relied on as strictly correct. Given under our hands the day & year above written

Richard McVemar
Robert Baxter
Joshua Worley

James Milligan's Quitclaim

To all whom it may concern — Be it known that I James Milligan of the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, being a member of the United Society residing on the waters of Beavercreek in the county aforesaid, did, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, dedicate, devote, consecrate, convey and surrender to the trustees of said Society, the whole amount of my estate & interest, real and personal, to be possessed, used & improved for the general & mutual benefit of the Society of which I was and still am a member, making no reserve of any part, portion, or dividend of the said estate and interest for the special and particular use and benefit of my natural heirs or for any other purpose whatever.

Now knowye — that in order to make the aforesaid disposal of my property final & irrevocable, and for the security of the aforesaid Society in the possession and use of the said estate and interest dedicated as aforesaid, I do, by these presents, for myself, my heirs and assigns, exonerate, release, and quit claim to the said society of & from all and singular the property, estate and interest dedicated, devoted and surrendered to the use and benefit of the aforesaid society. And in case of any claim, or pretence of claim to any part of the said interest, under pretext of natural heirship, — Be it known that the trustees of the said Society are authorised to give or bestow on such claimant, being a natural heir and not a member of said society, such consideration gift or lawful portion of the said interest as they, in union with the said society may judge right and proper, according to the rules of the society relating to gifts & charitable donations.

In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of January in the year of our Lord 1829.

Attest — James Milligan (Seal)

William Phillips } A true copy
William Morrison } Test Richard McVemar, Robert Baxter

James Martin's Quitclaim.

To all whom it may concern,

Be it known that I James Martin of the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, being a member of the United Society residing on the waters of Beaver creek in the county aforesaid, did, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, dedicate, devote, consecrate, convey, and surrender to the trustees of said Society the whole amount of my estate and interest real and personal, to be possessed, used and improved for the general and mutual benefit of the Society of which I was and still am a member, making no reserve of any part, portion or dividend of said estate and interest for the special and particular use and benefit of my natural heirs, or for any other use or purpose whatever: Now know ye — that in order to make the aforesaid disposal of property final and irrevocable, and for the security of the aforesaid society in the possession and use of the said estate and interest dedicated as aforesaid, I do, by these presents, for myself, my heirs and assigns, exonerate, release & quitclaim to the said society, of and from all and singular the property, estate & interest dedicated, devoted & surrendered to the use and benefit of the society aforesaid: And in case of any claim or pretence of claim to any part of the said interest, under pretext of natural heirship; Be it known that the trustees of the said society are authorised to give or bestow on claimants being a natural heir and and not a member of said society such consideration, gift or lawful portion of the said interest as they in union with the said society may judge right and proper, according to the rules of the Society relating to gifs and charitable donations. In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of January, in the year of our Lord 1829.

James Martin (seal)

Attest, William Phillips } A true copy.
William Morrison, } Test — Richard M'Vamer, Robert Barber

Alexander Hughey's Quitclaim.

To all whom it may concern,

BE it known that I Alexander Hughey of the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, being a member of the United Society residing on the waters of Beaver creek in the county aforesaid, did, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifteen, dedicate, devote, consecrate, convey, and surrender to the trustees of said society the whole amount of my estate and interest real and personal, to be possessed, used & improved for the general and mutual benefit of the society of which I was & still am a member, making no reserve of any part, portion, or dividend of the said estate & interest, for the special & particular use & benefit of my natural heirs, or for any other purpose whatever;

Now know ye, that in order to make the aforesaid disposal of my property & irrevocable, & for the security of the aforesaid society in the possession and use of the said estate and interest dedicated as aforesaid, I do, by these presents, for myself my heirs and assigns, exonerate, release and quitclaim to the said society of and from all and singular the property, estate and interest dedicated, devoted, and surrendered to the use and benefit of the society aforesaid; And in case of any claim or pretence of claim to any part of the said interest, under pretext of natural heirship; Be it known that the trustees of the said society are authorised to give or bestow on such claimants being a natural heir and not a member of said society such consideration, gift or lawful portion of the said interest as they, in union with the said society may judge right and proper according to the rules of the society relating to gifts and charitable donations. In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of January in the year of our Lord 1829.

Attest William Phillips, William Morrison. } A true copy, Test Richard McNames, Alexander Hughey (seal) Robert Baxter

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Thomas Williams' Quitclaim.

To all whom it may concern, Be it known that I Thomas Williams of the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, being a member of the United Society residing on the waters of Beaver creek in the county aforesaid, did, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen dedicate, devote, consecrate convey and surrender to the trustees of said society, the whole amount of my estate and interest real and personal, to be possessed, used and improved for the general & mutual benefit of the society of which I was and still am a member, making no reserve of any part, portion, or dividend of the said estate and interest for the special and particular use and benefit of my natural heirs or for any other purpose whatever: Now know ye, that in order to make the aforesaid disposal of my property final & irrevocable, and for the security of the aforesaid society in the possession and use of the said estate & interest dedicated as aforesaid; I do by these presents, for myself, my heirs and assigns, exonerate, release, and quitclaim to the said society, of & from all and singular the property estate and interest dedicated, devoted & surrendered to the use & benefit of the society aforesaid; And in case of any claim, or pretence of claim to any part of the said interest, under pretext of natural heirship: Be it known that the trustees of the said society are authorised to give or bestow on such claimant, being a natural heir and not a member of said Society, such consideration, gift, or lawful portion as they, in union with the said society may judge right & proper, according to the rules of the society relating to gifts & charitable donations. In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand & seal the 28th day of January in the year of our Lord 1829. Thomas Williams (seal)

Attest William Morrison, William Phillips. } A true copy. Test Rich McNamer, Robert Baxter

John Patterson & wife
To
John Huston &
Amos Valentine } Deed. This Indenture made the twenty seventh day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven, between John Patterson and Phebe Patterson his wife, of the county of Montgomery in the state of Ohio, of the one part, and John Huston and Amos Valentine of the other part witnesseth, That the said John Patterson and Phebe Patterson, for and in consideration of the sum of nine hundred and fifty six dollars and fifty cents lawful money of the United States, to them in hand well and truly paid by the said John Huston and Amos Valentine, the receit whereof is hereby acknowledged, Have granted, bargained, sold, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents Do grant, bargain sell, convey and confirm unto the said John Huston and Amos Valentine, and their heirs and assigns forever, All that tract or parcel of land known by its description in the survey or General's land offices of the United States as the south East quarter of section fourteen in the second township and seventh entire range between the Miami rivers containing agreeably to the returns in the surveyor General's office one hundred and fifty nine acres and forty four hundredths, lying within the county of Montgomery aforesaid, And all the estate, right, title, interest, claim and demand of them the said John Patterson and Phebe Patterson of, in and to the said premises hereby granted, and every part thereof, together with all and singular the rights, members, privileges and appertenances, to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining, and the rents, issues, and profits thereof. To Have and to hold the said quarter section hereby bargained & sold, or meant or intended so to be, with the appertenances, to the only proper use and behoof of the said John Huston and Amos Valentine and their heirs and assigns forever, And the said John Patterson & Phebe Patterson for themselves, their heirs, executors and Administrators do covenant, grant and agree to and with the said John Huston and Amos Valentine and their heirs, executors, administrators & assigns, that they are the true & lawful owners of the premises hereby granted, and have good right, full power and authority to sell and convey the same in manner & form aforesaid. And Further that they the said John Patterson & Phebe Patterson and their heirs, executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the aforesaid premises with their appertenances and every part and parcel thereof unto the said John Huston & Amos Valentine and their heirs and assigns against all persons claiming or to claim by, from or under them or any of them, or by, from or under any other Person or persons whomsoever. In witness whereof the said John Patterson & Phebe Patterson have hereunto set their hands & seals the day & year

first above written
Sealed & delivered in
the presence of
B. Van-Cleve

Recorded 3d Jan. 7. 1812.
in Book B. No. 1. page 434-5 — David Reice. R. M. C.

John Patterson (L.S.)
his
Phebe × Patterson (L.S.)
mark

The State of Ohio }
Montgomery county } ss

Before me Christopher Curtner one of the Justices assigned to keep the peace for & within the county aforesaid, ~~came~~ John Patterson and Phebe his wife and (the said Phebe being examined separately, secretly and apart from her husband, and declaring herself under no coercion or compulsion) did acknowledge the above instrument to be their voluntary act & deed for the uses and purposes therein contained — Given under my hand & seal the twenty seventh day of August one thousand eight hundred & eleven.

Christopher Curtner (L.S.)

John Huston & Amos Valentine
To
Peter Pease &c } DEED. Rec'd July 22d 1813. Recorded July 30th 1813
R. M. C.
in Book C pages 153. 154. Joseph H. Crane

This Indenture made this twenty second day of July in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred & thirteen between John Huston of the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio Amos Valentine of the county of Warren & state aforesaid of the one part, and Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp Deacons or trustees of the Church or community of Believers (otherwise called Shakers) at Union village in the township of Turtlecreek county & state aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth. That the said John Huston & Amos Valentine, for & in consideration of the sum of nine hundred & fifty six dollars to them in hand paid, the receit whereof they do hereby acknowledge, & forever acquit & discharge the said Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp, and their successors — hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened & confirmed and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, alien & confirm, unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace, and Nathan Sharp deacons or agents acting for & in behalf of the Church aforesaid and their successors forever, all that tract or parcel of land lying & being in the county of Montgomery aforesaid, being the South East quarter of section fourteen, in the second township & seventh entire range between the Miami rivers, containing one hundred & fifty nine acres, & forty four hundredths — to have and to hold the said premises

with all and singular the appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp and their successors and assigns forever, to the only proper use & behoof of the said Church or community, & to be & remain inviolably in the possession and at the disposal of the deaconship of said Church and their assigns in a line of succession forever: according to the covenant of said Church bearing date January fourteenth one thousand eight hundred and twelve. And the said John Huston & Amos Valentine, their heirs executors administrators doth covenant promise & agree, to & with the said Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp and their successors as afors by these presents, that the premises beforementioned now are & forever hereafter shall remain free of and from all former & all other gifts, grants, bargains, sales, dowers, titles, troubles & incumbrances whatever done or suffered to be done by them the said John Huston & Amos Valentine. And the said John Huston and Amos Valentine and their heirs all & singular the premises hereby bargained & sold with the appurtenances unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp and their successors in office and assigns against them the said John Huston & Amos Valentine, & their heirs and all & every other person or persons whatsoever, doth & will warrant & forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof the said John Huston and Amos Valentine have hereunto set their hands & seals the day and year first above written.

John Huston (LS)

Amos Vallantine (LS)

In presence of Geo. Grove

John Folkerth

The State of Ohio }
Montgomery county } ss

Seal

Before me John Folkerth a justice of the peace within and for the county aforesaid, personally came John Huston and Amos Vallantine the within named grantors and acknowledged the within instrument of writing to be their voluntary act and deed, for the purposes therein contained. Witness my hand and seal this twenty second day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

John Folkerth J.P.

Memorandum —

In a conference of Ministers Elders and Trustees held at the office at Union Village this 19th day of December 1828 on the subject of foreign claims to the interest of the church by natural heirs or apostates. The following ideas were advanced and unitedly approbated.

1. That it is optional with individuals coming into church relation whether to devote and surrender their whole estate without reserve to the use & benefit of the church including themselves and their minor heirs, or reserve a specified sum for their heirs when they becomes of lawful age

2. That in case a portion is held in reserve for a natural heir, when he comes of age and chuses ~~and chuses~~ to remain in Union as a member, it is unnecessary to make any tender of his portion to him in order to his consecrating it to the use of the Church. The said portion being already in the possession of the Trustees his signing the church covenant is deemed sufficient to make the gift complete.

3. In case of no legacy being reserved for the heir; if he behave well till he comes of age and then chuse to withdraw, it is recommended that the Trustees deal charitably and generously with him in bestowing, according to their means, such gifts as the individual may need, and which may tend to ease his mind and feelings in relation to the manner in which he has been treated. — Moreover that the same charity and generosity be exercised toward any other who may withdraw whether he brought property into the church or not. That reasonable satisfaction be rendered to all, on the grounds of charity and benevolence and no just occasion left to charge the church with a fraudulent or penurious disposition.

Present, Elders, Solomon King, Issachar Bates, Matthew Houston Abner Bedle and Nathan Sharp.

April 14. 1835. Certified by — Rich. McNemar Ch. Scribe

John Eastwood & Caty Eastwood To Peter Pease &c. } Deed.

Rec'd 18th June 1813
Recorded 28. June..
in book C pages 138, 139. Joseph H. Crane.
R. McN C.J. Examined.

This Indenture made this seventeenth day of June, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirteen John Eastwood & Caty his wife, of the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio of the one part, and Peter Pease, John Wallace

and Nathan Sharp, deacons or trustees of the Church or community of Believers, (otherwise called Shakers) at Union Village, in the township of Turtlecreek, county of Warren and state aforesaid of the other part witnesseth, that the said John Eastwood and Caty his wife for and in consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars current money of the United states, to them in hand paid, the receipt whereof they do hereby acknowledge and forever acquit and discharge the said Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp and their successors; hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened and confirmed, and by these presents do grant Bargain, sell, alien and confirm unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp deacons acting for and in behalf of the Church aforesaid and their successors forever, All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the county of Montgomery aforesaid in the North-west corner of section No. 17, township 2, Range 6. Thence south to Dennis Hence's corner, thence east with said Hence's line to George Patterson's corner, thence North with said line to said Patterson's other corner, thence west with the line of said section to the place of beginning; containing one hundred and two acres, and one half strict measure: Together with all and singular rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise appertaining: To have and to hold, unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace and Nathan Sharp and their successors & assigns forever; to the only proper use and behoof of the Church or community aforesaid, and to be and remain, inviolably, in the possession and at the disposal of the deaconship of said Church and their assigns, in a line of succession forever, according to the covenant of said Church, bearing date January fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred & twelve. And the said John Eastwood and Caty his wife, for their heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant, promise and agree, to and with the said Peter Pease, John Wallace and Nathan Sharp and their successors as aforesaid, by these presents, that the premises before mentioned now are and forever hereafter shall remain free of and from all former & all other gifts, grants, bargains, sales, dowers, titles, troubles and incumbrances whatever, done or suffered to be done by the said John and Caty or either of them. And the said John & Caty and their heirs, all and singular the premises hereby bargained and sold, with the appurtenances thereof unto the said Peter Pease, John Wallace and Nathan Sharp & their successors in office and assigns against them the said John Eastwood & Caty, and Caty and their heirs, & all and ~~singular~~ every other person or persons doth and will warrant and forever defend, by these presents, In witness whereof the said John Eastwood and Caty Eastwood have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

In presence of Benjamin Simonton
Gilberson Patterson.

John Eastwood (Seal)
Caty Eastwood (Seal)

The State of Ohio
Montgomery County } Before me John Folkerth a Justice of the peace within & for the county aforesaid, personally came John Eastwood and Caty his wife the within named grantors (the said Caty being examined separate and apart from her husband, and declaring herself under no compulsion or coercion) and acknowledged the within indenture to be their voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein contained — Witness my hand and seal this seventeenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteen — John Folkerth J. P. (Seal)

Copy of a family covenant drafted by Benjn S. Youngs & executed June 5. 1810.

Whereas we the subscribers near Dayton in the county of Montgomery and state of Ohio, and members of the community of people known by the name of Shakers having received the grace of God by the gospel in this day of Christ's second & last appearing which has separated us from the course of this world to take up our cross and follow Christ in the regeneration; and whereas we believe it to be our duty and privilege to spend the rest of our time and talents in that manner in which we can be most useful to ourselves & others; and for this purpose being desirous to live together as one family in a United capacity: — Therefore, according to our own faith & voluntary choice we covenant & agree to live together on the premises now owned & occupied by John Patterson, and all and each of us to use and improve our strength and abilities for the mutual benefit and support of each other and together with our services, and for the same purposes, we likewise dedicate the mutual and free use of all our temporal interest, without ever bringing any debt or blame against any member or members of said Family on account of the use of our interest or property or on account of any of our labors or services, bestowed severally or jointly. And whereas we believe it to be our privilege to be a free people; Therefore we agree that whenever any of us shall see cause not to live together any longer then we or any of us shall signify the same to said Family jointly & shall be at full liberty to withdraw and also be entitled to take with us all the original property which we had given to the use of said family or the value thereof in property; ever exercising the freedom of our own consciences and voluntary choice; but it is hereby provided and understood that we shall ever leave each other free from all debt or blame whatever, according to the true intent of this covenant, which is our present faith. In Testimony whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names this fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & ten.

John Patterson
David Greenmon
James his X mark Greenmon

Shebe her X mark Patterson
Peggy Stewart
Abby Jones
Eunice Patterson
Mary Greenmon

June 5. 1810 We testify that we saw John Patterson David Greenmon and Jos Greenmon, Shebe Patterson, Peggy Stewart Abby Jones, Eunice Patterson & Mary Greenmon sign their names for the purposes mentioned in this covenant.
James Patterson
William Stewart,

1833

The Journal Continued

Jan 1st Matilda Williams moved to the West or gathering family
× to live as second in the Elder sisters lot with Melinday Watts
On the same day, Ashbel Kitchel, James Milligan and John Rue were duly appointed a committee to examine the Books of the Office Deacons, and reported that the nett income of the past year was $471.65.

" 10 A general meeting of the brethren was called to consider and agree on the business of the ensuing year. At this meeting a council was appointed to agree on certain articles and rules necessary to be adopted & executed preparatory to adopting the New Covenant.

The members of the council were Robt. Baxter, Ashbel Kitchel, Henry Miller, James Milligan, Wm. Phillips, Thos. Williams, & Alexander Hughy, who were to be furnished by Eleazer Wright with the several drafts adopted in other societies, for the purpose of reviewing, ratifying & confirming the foundation principles of the Church Covenant.

" 11 At 7 o'clock P.M the sisters held a similar meeting as the above, in order to unite on their part, and agree as to the measures that might be thought proper to prosecute for the security of their rights and privileges as above stated; and it was agreed that Betsy Milligan & Jane Patterson being the oldest members, nominate and appoint a sufficient number of sisters to correspond and concur with the aforesaid council of brethren. Accordingly, the following sisters were nominated and appointed, namely Betsy Milligan, Jane Patterson, Melinda Watts, Peggy Patterson, Patience Naylor, Maryann Duffy, Rachel Lane & Eliza Davis

" 13 In the evening meeting, the council of brethren above named report as follows, to wit, That after examining the sundry forms and article of agreement adopted by other societies, and also a draft adapted to the present state of this society, agree that the said draft be read to the society for general consideration. Also that the circular epistle on that subject from the ministry and elders at New Lebanon be read, and likewise our former Church covenant. Signed in behalf of the council

1833 Robt. Baxter, Ashbel Hitchel.

The aforesaid documents were accordingly read, and it was unanimously agreed that the said draft be read again to the whole society on tuesday the 15th. and signed by as many as chose.

Jan. 15 The said General Rules were read, approved and subscribed by 23 brethren and 26 sisters

" 16 Br. Robt. & Ashbel attended with the said articles at the West house and they were signed by some there

" 21 Elder Samuel Turner & Elder Brother Edmond Bryant from Pleasant Hill, arrived here on a visit, accompanied by Br Joshua Worley.

" " A Lengthy address was read to the society relating to the new covenant, and nominating a general council of aged brethren, to agree whether as a separate society they consider themselves competent to adopt & support it. Said council met accordingly.

" 23 A conference was held relating to the settlement of West Union matters. Members present Elder Issachar Bates, Elder Samuel Turner Br. Joshua Worley, Henry Miller, Ashbel Hitchel & Eleazer Wright From the report of Br Joshua it appeared that two thousand dollars had been lately received as the first payment on the West Union premises, which sum had been equally divided to the members of that society, according to the original agreement, and that 225 dollars had fallen to Watervliet as the share of the former members of West Union Society, who now were residing here. This money Br Joshua had now brought with him and delivered over in order to the Trusteeship; with which all concerned expressed their entire satisfaction.

Elder Issachar then proposed to cancel certain trials that had been opened to him by Henry Miller against Eleazer as superintendent of the West-Union affairs.

" 27 The Records of the Society from p. 201, to 207 were read in evening meeting, at the close of which the following report of the council appointed on the 21st inst, to wit, Robt. Baxter James Ball, James Millegin, Alexander Hughey, David Drummon Lot Eastwood, James Martin John Reed, Thomas Williams, John Davis and John Maxson, was read and approbated by the

1853 general union of the assembly. Namely, The brethren nominated
Jan. 27 to take into consideration the present state of the society in relation to filling and supplying lots of offices of care preparatory to renewing the church Covenant, being assembled and having freely consulted together, did unanimously agree, that in their opinion there are members among us sufficient to fill those lots of care, and that it belongs to the Ministry to nominate and appoint such as they may think best qualified, those nominations & appointments being subject as usual to the general union and approbation of the members concerned. Signed in behalf of the Committee Robt. Barter
James Ball

Feb. 4th A letter from Elder Issachar Bates was addressed to the Ministry on the import of the foregoing resolutions, the answer to which was returned on the 9th, and on the 10th exhibited to the society, nominating the present orders of Elders, Trustees & Deacons, namely; The first Elders remain in status quo. Alexander Hughey is appointed Trustee with James Ball, Henry Miller to the West family as a help in the eldership with Wm. Phillips, and Samuel Tuttle, family deacon there.

March Samuel Tuthill moved back to the center

Aug. 1st William Phillips moved to the office, and Ashbel

" " Ketchel moved back to the West family.

Oct. 6 Molly Ketchel returned to the West

Dec 8 The improved edition of the Covenant is read in church meeting.

" 20 Henry Miller Being in his 60th year left the society clandestinely.

" 25 According to previous arrangement the bell was rung at 4 in the morning for rising. At half past six we had breakfast. A good & comfortable meeting at 9 — Supper ye past three and a social scene of lively exercises at 6. It was remarked that nothing occurred through the day to hurt the feelings of any one. All were pleasant and perfectly well entertained without a drop of the crature. Hirelings & tenants all took supper with us, and it was such a feast as the writer has but rarely seen.

1833 It was agreed in council for James Ball, Robt. Baxter, James
Dec 26 Milligan, John Rue & Wm. Phillips to examine the office books, and make report of the state of the interest.

Jan. 11th 1834 The afore said report was made indicating that a balance of about 800 dollars stood against the society, from the expenditures of the last year. This was attributed to the building of three dwelling houses, one for the accommodation of the tanyard, one for that of the grist mill and a third for the benefit of the waggon shop, besides a pretty expensive dry house.

" 19th 1834 The Rules & Orders of the Chh at Union Village were read and approbated by several of the aged brethren, as being in substance of what had been taught here from time to time, by Father David and Ministry.

" 20th A general counsel of brethren met to deliberate on the temporal business proper to be pursued the coming season, and after a statement made by the Deacons of the condition of the mills, tanyard, shops and farm, it was agreed that all matters be conducted by the deaconship according to present arrangements and that the principle object for an increase, be to improve the farm and stock, to renew and repair the fences; and it was further recommended to make arrangements for building a waggon shop as soon as circumstances will admit

" 24th An appointment was made to examine the book of Records on next sabbath & the Elders and deacons were nominated as the auditors.

" 26 The Elders & Deacons met according to appointment, namely, Elder Issachar, Br Robert, James Ball, James Milligan, Eldress Salome, Sister Eunice, Betsy Milligan, Patience Naylor & Mary-ann Duffey, and the foregoing records being distinctly read, and duly examined, are declared to be correct and authentic by the whole company.

Isachar Bates

Signed in behalf of the company. James Milligan

" 27 Ashbel Kitchel and Co. go to Union Village.

" 29 All hands commence procuring kitchen wood. Get in upward of 20 cords. Ashbel & Co return home from U. V. & bring a letter from the Ministry relative to our new year's proposition

Feb. 17 Elder Issachar, Br. Robt., & Eldress Salome Dennis go to U. Village & take sundry dispatches to the Ministry.

" 22 The above company return & bring Sophina Naylor with them.

1834 March 1st. David Price goes to Union Village and returns on the 3.
March 9th. At 6 o'clock P.M. a council met to deliberate on the subject of making proper arangements to enable sisters to bear their part of the burden in providing clothing and other necessaries. The subject being largely investigated, it was referred to James Ball & Br. Robert to make out in writing a fair proposal of what they thought would be reasonable for the sisters to have at their control.

" 10 A document signed by the two brethren above named, was presented, requesting to be released from any further consideration of the subject, and to refer the matter to the Eldership to to make such arangement as the might devise, promising to support any arangement which might be made in that order.

" 11 The following proposal was offered for consideration. —

1st. That some one be appointed as a family deacon at the center family whose duty it shall be, in union with those already in in care, to make proper arangements in business: That according to the order of the church, the office deaconship and family deaconship proceed in union to make regular distribution of all matters pertaining the farm, shops, mills, gardens &c and to designate by agreement what shall come under the immediate charge, oversight and occupancy of each respectively.

2nd. That the office deacons take charge of as much of the farm as can be reasonably improved by the office family: That they also have the oversight of the several shops, mills, tanyard &c: That the family deacons have the immediate charge & oversight of the remainder of the farm, with the general superintendence of the concerns of the family in providing all necessary supplies according to the common rules of the Ch.

3rd. That the gardens and all their appurtenances and all the proceeds for marketing, together with the dairy, poultry &c, be appointed to the use and benefit of the sisterhood, to enable them to procure their necessaries, and furnish their part of the common support of the family: That the deaconship unitedly to furnish the sisters with materials for improving their time and talents profitably in making articles for market, such as hats, baskets, socks, mittens, or whatever may be deemed most profitable; and that the benefits of all such labor shall be appropriate to the interest, ends, & purposes of the sisterhood in the line of clothing

1834 and other necessaries, for which they are responsible.

March 15 An hour was spent in counsel on the foregoing propositions, and the subject left for further consideration, and they were finally adopted in substance as therein stated. It may be observed that those propositions and regulations, carried into effect constitute the first attempt in the history of our Church of making a separation of interest between the brethren and sisters.

" 16 In a general meeting, a proposal was made to revive our publick meeting at the meeting house, which had been discontinued through the winter. This met with unanimous agreement.

Next it was proposed to lay before the church certain matters for consideration & agreement which called for present and special attention. A length document was then read, the import & objects of which were 1st. to look out among us suitable characters for a family deaconship. 2d to look out a suitable agency for peddling off sisters manufactures & products.

" 17th The brethren concerned, commence stating their views & feelings in relation to the foregoing propositions. James Milligan is willing to remain in his lot of family deacon, and to have a brother live with him who can go forward and lead in the charge of all important matters pertaining to the family deaconship, he to class with the aged part to excite and encourage on business according to their abilities.

" 18 Henry Grose applies for another privilege and is taken in at the West

" " Also two women from near Xenia were taken in.

April 5th It was unanimously agreed in council for James Ball to have the general oversight of temporal matters, and Br. Robt. to be relieved from the deaconship to attend more to his spiritual gift. That Samuel Tuthill go in with James Milligan as family deacon, and David Price attend to the concerns of the sisterhood, in doing their marketing and procuring their necessaries. This was delivered in evening meeting, with an exhortation to labor for a thankful spirit

" 6 Had our first renewed public meeting. Twenty four brethren and 29 sisters were in attendance and over 100 spectators, 50 horses and 4 carriages.

" 7 Br. Robt. went to the Village, and returned on the 9th with Potatoes seed corn &c.

" 19 Elder Isacher went to U. Village, and returned on the 21st.

" 21 Commenced planting corn. Abigah Pelham here from U. Village.

1834 April 27. Very cold. Thermometer 25°.

April 28th A hard freeze this morning. Ice ½ an inch thick. Fruit generally killed, and the writer thinks the like has not been heretofore known in this country

" 29 Eleazer Wright goes to U. Village and returns May 1st with Anthony Andrews. Lewis Valentine came along and

May 1st went with A. Andrews to the West family, to instal him there as gardiner

" 12 The ministry arived here on a visit. There was no meeting till the evening of the 15th when the Ministry attended, and E. Solomon spoke upward of an hour on general topics. The discourse was much applauded.

" & 17 The Ministry return home. Wm Phillips moves to the center.

" 29 The Locusts are beginning their song, and are quite numerous.

" 30 Eleazer went to Union Village and took with him Anthony Andrews whome he left at the North Lot, where he will again take up his residence.

June 2 Eleazer returned home from U.V. and in the evening went to Dayton on some law business.

" 4 Eleazer went again to Dayton to attend the examination of witnesses

" 8 Had public meeting, and the largest assembly of spectators ever before seen at this place.

" 19 A letter was received from Br Seth Y. Wells of New Lebanon informing us that Elder Rufus Bishop & Isaac Youngs were on their way from that place to Union Village.

About 1 o'clock to day the South Union Ministry arived here, accompanied by Elder Matthew Houston, Br Joshua, Molly Stout & E. Belcher.

" 25 After enjoying a comfortable visit with our good friends they this day left us and returned to Union Village.

July 1st Commenced reaping wheat. Jacob Nace and wife arived at the West on a visit.

" 10 Elder Rufus, & Br Isaac, above mentioned arived here on a visit in company with Elder Solomon King and Andrew Houston, and were received with a hearty and affectionate welcome.

" 11 Finish the wheat harvest.

1834 July 15th. We had Church meeting at the meeting house and a very profitable day we had with our much beloved Eastern visiters, together with those from Union Village

July 15 Our company of visitors returned to U.N. by way of Dayton.

" 16 Jacob Nace and family moved in to the West family.

" 19 Eleazer went to U.N. to have some further privilege with the eastern visitors.

" 24 The Eastern visiters went to White Water village and Eleazer came home.

" 31 We got in the last of our hay & ended the harvest.

Aug. 5 John Abel, Sally Patterson, Abby Woodruff & Nancy Slater arrived here from U.N. on a visit; and on saturday 9th set out for home.

" 19 Our beloved Ministry arrived here before 11 o'clock.

" 20 At 10 o'clock a council met for the consideration and regulation of divers matters pertaining to the society. The state of the West family was first taken into consideration, and it was agreed that the individuals located there were not suitable to gather and protect young believers; that old church members were not the proper persons to mix and mingle with novitiates. It was therefore agreed to effect a gradual change in that family; to gather the church members into the first order, and constitute a family of junior members at the West to manage affairs in their own order, under the council & protection of the church.

Aug. 21 In our evening meeting, E. Solomon delivered a lengthy and good discourse, the burden of which was to avoid offences, and be careful to settle and remove occasions of offence. To beware of making promises & not fulfilling them.

" 22 It was agreed for Melinda Watts to move from the West family as soon as convenient, and for Ashbel to remain at the West as long as might be necessary, for the regulation of matters. It was also agreed to commence a school as soon as convenient, for the education & protection of the children.

" 24 In Church meeting Elder Solomon spake about an hour on the subject of giving up all for the gospel, and making no reserve. That the requirements of the gospel were unchangeable — the same now that they were in the beginning — that every old band & tie of the flesh, never to gather

1834 then up again. Public meeting commenced at 11 o'clock A.M, and
Aug. 24 the spectators were addressed by Ashbel and Eleazer. A respectable audience was present, the worship was lively, and quite an unusual sensation & flow of life were experienced.

This evening an arrangement was made for Robt & some of the sisters to go down to the Village, and take little Issachar Tucker, and with this the official labors closed.

Aug. 25 This morning our beloved Ministry returned to U. Village.

Sept. 4 Melinda Watts & Molly Kitchel moved to the center, and

7 Br. Robt returned home with Jerusha Brown, Jane Tucker Eliza Hunt, and Worthington Baxter, having visited from the 29th ult.

" 8 William and Sally Phillips, with Alexander Hughey, set out on their visit up Madriver & are absent ten days.

" 15 Our school was organized and commenced for the season

" 22 Issachar Bates, Eleazer Wright, Salome Dennis & Eunice Bedell go to Union Village to meet the Eastern visiters. They spent the whole week in their delightful society, and returned home on the 29th.

" 28 There was a very full Church meeting at half past 8.— much good speaking and loving farewell with our eastern friends. At 4 o'clock we had another good meeting, after which we retired up stairs and spent the evening in canvassing various subjects

" 29 Monday morning in a conference held in the Ministry's shop between Elders Solomon, Rufus, Isaac & Eleazer, the state of Watervliet was considered relative to Church Order and it was agreed that an Elder Brother and Elder Sister were necessary, at least in the first family with their helps as usual.

Oct. 3 A box of Books was dispatched for the East containing 85 Hymn Books, 14 Decisions, 6 Memorials, & 6 Wickliffs speeches.

" 13 Worthington Baxter returned home conducted by Isaac Newton About 4 o'clock P.M. The Ministry arrive on a visit.

" 15 A council met to consider matters in relation to the leadship and it was agreed that the change made in the eldership in 1832 (April) remain at present as heretofore.

" 18 It was agreed that certain might have the privilege of signing

1834 the Articles & Church covenant. Accordingly William Phillips
Oct. 18th signed the covenant, Jane Tucker signed the articles and covenant, and Sally Phillips signed the Articles.
David Price went to U.N. in company with Ruth Brown & Mary Hopkins.

" 19 Public meeting was omitted, and the evening spent with our beloved Ministry who counselled various improvements in the order of our meetings - in the order of singers, & in the revival of our union meetings.

" 20 The Ministry returned home to day; and in the evening in the evening the several improvements which they had recommend were opened to the family & entered into.

" 21 All matters were regulated most satisfactorily to all concerned and the evening meeting conducted with increased order. An arrangement was made for the singers to divide into two classes & sing alternately.

" 22 A general counsel of brethren met at 7 o'clock and agreed to build a frame blacksmith shop, & James Ball, Thos. Williams Ashbel Kitchel and Br Robt. were appointed to superintend the work. It was also agreed to commence preparing materials for a Waggon shop.

" 23 All hands commence harvesting corn.

" 26 The order of family meetings at New Lebanon is exhibited and adopted, with some latitude on the sabath. That is, Tuesday and Fryday evenings to have Union Meetings. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday evenings, family worship, with the standing gift that on saturday evenings we should kneel and labor for releasement from temporal concerns.

" 28 The Office Ledger for the present year is presented for examination from which is selected the following state of affairs.

Income from the carding & clothing shop	$38.00	
" from the Waggon shop	308.08	
" from the Tanyard	126.33	
" from the Smith shop	32.71	
" from the Cooper's shop	44.87½	
" from old debts and other sources	120.09	$670.08½
There was cash in hand Jan 1st 1834		17.37½
Thus the whole resource for 10 months of 1834 was		$687.46

1834 It will be seen by reference to p. 31 that on the first of Jan.
Oct. 28 of this year the Society was in arrears $800. and as but $670. have been produced we must be still greatly behind, but as no account of disbursements for the last 10 months is given in the record, we cannot arive at the exact condition of our temporal affairs at this period.

" 29 Matilda, Naomi & Catharine move to the center.

Nov 4 Eleazer is bedfast with chill and fever.

" 6 Ashbel applies for a privilege to go to North Union on a visit and was referred to the Ministry.

" 8 Ashbel went to Union Village to see the Ministry relative to his desired trip to North Union. He had his request granted and returned on the 10th. and on the 12th set out on his journey.

" 11 Elder Issachar and his lot went to Union Village.

" 16 In Chh meeting, was brought up the subject of a memorial relating to the rules and orders taught by Father Lucid and the ministry, with a proposal to review the same Introductory to this Father's Biography was read.

" 18 A discourse was delivered on the subject of prayer as related to an increase of order.

" 20 The season so far is remarkably warm and pleasant

" 22 In Chh meeting we had a discourse on keeping the gospel pure as it has been conveyed by revellation from first Mother & ministered by our parents.

" 25 A consultation was held on the subject of preparing materials for a waggon shed - J. Williams undertook the business

" 26 Moses E. takes his place with Isaac as a singer.

Dec 6 A letter is received from Elder Benjamin

" 16 Ashbel arives from his visit to North Union.

Jan 1st 1835. Elder Issachar and co. arive home from U. Village

" 5 Sidney Davis absconded from the N. House

" 10 Labors were made to regulate matters at the West and it was agreed for Matthew Smith and family to move to the North house

Feb 7 The West house came near being consumed by fire but the fire was finally extinguised without much damage

" 18 Snow 10 inches deep, and the Ministry arive in a slay.

" 19 It was agreed in council for Ashbel to resign his lot of

1835 care at the West Family and devote his surplus time to the carpenter business.

Feb 20th. It was further settled for James Ball to take the burden and care of the farm, shops, mills, tanyards &c; and for David Price to have the care and management of the gardens, marketing &c.

S. 21 Our Beloved Ministry this morning left for Union Village.

March 1 This day was kept in commemoration of the birth of Mother Ann. At meeting the appropriate hymns were read & sung after which there were various gifts and exercises quite animating and refreshing.

" 9th. Elder Issachar returned from the Village, and Thamer Johnson Charlotte and Elizabeth Morris came with him.

" 13 Eliezer & Christian went to the Village, & returned on the 19th.

" 20 Received a letter from Elder Ebenezer of New Lebanon, inviting Elder Issacher to return home with Elder Benjamin and others to which he reluctantly gave his consent, it being verry crossing to leave all his friends in the West with whom he had spent 30 years of the best of his life.

" 25 John Rue went to U. Village, and returned on saturday 28 with a letter from E. Solomon to E. Issachar, relating to his intended journey to the East.

April 5 Samuel Tuthill goes to the Village and returns on the 7th with instructions from the Ministry for Ashbel to renew his care and oversight of matters at the West, and occasionally stay there over night as watchman: for Alexander to take charge of the North garden, & for Wm. Phillips to assist David Price.

" 16 David Price and our Elder Br. Robt. Baxter went to Dayton and David returned without Robt.

" 17 This day was appointed for both Elder Issachar & Robt. Baxter to be released from their official stations here and to return to Union Village; but Baxter having stayed in Dayton and pursued his own course his departure may be dated April 16 1835. Elder Issachar, accompanied with Jethro, Christian and Patience went to Union Village, and we bade farewell with the good & faithful laborer in the vineyard of the Lord, never expecting to see his face again in time: as it is expected he will start from U. V. for his home in the East

1835 April 19th Christian and Jethro return from the Village
April 23 Ashbel Witchel went to U. Village, and returned on Friday 25th with a letter from the Ministry directing that William Phillips take the official station vacated by Robt. Baxter
May 25 Isaac Newton to the village, and returned on 27 with a Durham calf
June 6 Elder David Spinning, Br R. W. Pelham, Eldress Lucy Faith and Sister Viney McNemar arrived here from North Union on their way to Union Village, and went on their way next day.
" 21 An unusually large assembly attended public meeting to day. In the evening, at 6 o'clock a select counsel met up garret to make out a message to the Ministry, to be sent by Eleazer next day.
" 22 Eleazer went to the Village where he found Elder David and & Co. preparing to start home next day.
" 23 E. Eleazer Returns to Waterviet with E. David & company
" 25 Elder David and Co. set out for home, having received from James Ball 500 dollars in payment of the debt to Christian State, who formerly lent the money to this society & who has since joined the society at North Union and is now living there.
" 28 There was a short address in chh. meeting in relation to the difficulties the Ministry had to encounter in doing business here, while there were so many dictators & judges.
" 30 The Ministry arrive at 3 o'clock, Melinda Baxter in company on a visit.
July 2 Met in council & agreed for Eldress Salome to be released & return to the Village, and for Eunice Bedele to take her place & Eliza Davis to go in with Eldress Eunice: for Elder Eleazer to remain in statu quo, and for James Ball to take the lot of Elder Brother; also for Alexander Hughey to take James Ball's place at the office.
This evening Elder Solomon delivered a lengthy discourse giving a clear detail of the changes and causes of changes heretofore made, and correcting mistakes, which some had fallen into & which had led them to surmise that the former lead had by unfair means been rooted out and supplanted &c &c, all which was received & sanctioned by the express approbation of the assembly.

1855 July 5th. Elder Solomon announced the several changes agreed on in the council of 2d inst, all which were cordially approbated by the members concerned; and carried into execution on the 7th. inst. In the mean time it was agreed on in council for Betsy Milligan to move to the center house and take charge of the girls: for Rachel Zane to take Betsy's place at the office or North house: for Jane Patterson to go into the family deaconship with M. Ann: & Matilda Rue to take charge of the nurse room. Also, for Lol Eastwood to take Alexander's place at the center and attend to the wash house. Lastly for Wm. Phillips to move to the North house as steward of the family.

July 7th. James Ball was yesterday taken with the fever and is apparently dangerous.

This evening, a general union meeting was had with our Beloved Ministry present, and Elder Solomon expressed much respect for Watervliet, and thanks for the evidence the people had given, through the late trials, of their faith and stability, which had created a degree of confidence never before realized in this society. Many encouraging things were said. And in return many thanks were expressed on our part the visit and labors of our beloved Ministry, all of which had been done solely for our good and interest without fee or reward on their part. Thanks were particularly given to E. Salome for her long and faithful labors, and our prayres for her future comfort.

" 8 E. Br James grows worse, and the Ministry tarry to day on his account.

" 9 The Ministry all go home except Eldress Rachel who stays to nurse E. Br. James & David Eastwood, who also is very sick

" 10 All hands to the harvest field, & finish reaping the wheat.

" 15 Received a letter from Elder Issachar, which together with a letter from E. Ruth to E. Rachel was read in meeting.

" 19 William Hunter comes to live at the center house.

" 21 William More arrives here to card the Union Village wool on our carding machine. M. Miller comes with the wool on 26

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Aug 8th The blacksmith's shop raised to day. A letter from P. Hill

" 16 William More arives from the village with news that two brethren & two sisters from N. Lebanon were hourly expected, to wit, Elder David Meacham, Eldress Betsy Hastings, Luther Coply & Joanna Kitchel, who, however did not arive till the 19 inst.

" 20 Several sisters are now sick with chill & fever

" 28 Last night 3 bed ticks were stolen from the West.

Sept 5 E. Eleazer goes to the village where he arived at 5 o'clock P.M. and found that the Ministry and the Eastern visiters had all gone to the White Water Village.

" 7 E. Eleazer Returned home without having seen the visiters

Nov 26 Elder Eleazer went to Union Village

" 30 E. Eleazer returned from U.V and informed us that two brethren, Daniel Hawkins & Stephen Wells of New Lebanon had arived there on the 27th.; & that on this day Elder David Meacham had started home to N. Lebanon, taking Br Matthew Houston with him, to make a visit there

Dec. 10 Br. Joshua Worley came from the Village.

" 24 David Price & Wm. More went to Union Village.

" 25 We had a comfortable Christmas. William Phillips and Ashbel Kitchel address the society, with many encouraging expressions, & our meetings were lively

" 28 David Price, Wm. More & Daniel Redmon arive from U. Village Daniel after tarrying a few days returned by way of canal

Jan. 1836 Nothing remarkable is noted on New Year's day.

" 9 Br. Joshua & Br Stephen well came from U.V. on important business.

" 11 A council was held to ascertain whether there would be any objection to the releasment of E. Eleazer from his lot of care here, and his return to Union Village, his old home. Being informed that this was the wish of the Ministry the society consented, because we all thought it best to unite with the gift

Next Ashbel was called on, to know if he had any objections to locating himself at Union Village. He made

The Ministry and Elders of the Church at New-Lebanon and Watervliet,
To the Elders and Deacons, brethren and sisters at Union Village, Ohio.

Dearly beloved gospel Friends,

Having had much labor of late for a further increase of the gospel of Christ in the west, and having commissioned and sent some of our faithful brethren and sisters to visit and assist you in your labors for the same object, we have now authorized and sent you an additional help in our beloved Brother Freegift Wells, whom we hope you will receive as a Minister and Elder commissioned by the Church, and who with Elderess Betsey, we expect will abide with you for a season, and afford you further assistance. In the mean time we hope God will raise up and qualify some of those faithful souls among you, who will be able to lead and guide you in your gospel travel to that blessed kingdom which Christ has prepared for all the faithful.

As you have passed through some adverse scenes, and have, no doubt, seen many sorrowful days which were calculated to excite feelings of compassion in your behalf, and call for relief, which has been granted thus far, we feel it to be our duty, at this time, to give you some counsel and advice, as we have, in times past, received from our faithful Ministers & Elders, who led us in the way of God, and instructed us in the principles of the gospel; and we hope you will receive it in the same spirit of kindness and love in which it comes from us.

In the first place — We feel it to be now a matter of importance, for you all to lay aside all reflections upon the past events that have occasioned disorder in the Society. Let them cease, and be no longer agitated among you; for past time cannot be recalled, nor can those adverse circumstances which have heretofore fallen to your lot be brought back to your remembrance to any good purpose; unless it be to make each one for one more watchful over self — over his or her own heart, that the enemy take no advantage there. To call up past misfortunes, to ponder over, talk about and feed upon, will in the end prove but poor sordid nourishment to your souls; therefore we hope you will let them all pass away with the changing series of time, & never more reflect upon them, nor upon any of those who have unfortunately been any way instrumental in bringing them upon you, whether they are gone from you or yet remain with you; your present duty is to forgive and forget what is past, leaving the things that are behind, and looking forward to those that are now before you, for that is your present work.

2. Let it be your great concern and daily labor to keep down in the lowly valley of humiliation. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus Christ "Take my yoke upon you and learn of me for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls." Mankind are very much exposed to look the wrong way to find God and heaven. They are too apt to seek happiness in power and might, and in a big unmortified sense, but they will never find permanent

peace and rest to their souls in that fine kind of labor. But the virtue of meekness, and true humility is very important to Believers. It banishes all exalted feelings of ourselves and all hard feelings against others, and makes us esteem others better than ourselves. It mortifies pride, haughtiness and self-will, and all selfish feelings whatever. It adorns and beautifies the soul, and is a sure protection and defense against many evils to which we should be daily exposed without it.

3. Let it be your constant care at all times to nourish and cultivate the spirit of peace & harmony among yourselves, Labor for love and union, guard carefully against hard speeches and cruelty words one to another, and against every thing that will have a tendency to wound the feelings of others or stir up strife.— Strife genders hard feelings, opposition and revenge; it destroys love and union and creates evil surmises and jealousies, hatred & malice and many evil passions, and deprives the soul of its comfort, peace and happiness. Therefore let the spirit of peace govern you in all your intercourse with others and especially with your brethren and sisters.

4. The people of God above all others, are required to be an exemplary people, Let this principle be implanted in you and govern your actions at all times and in all places, Be watchful and careful to set a good example before each other in all things, in kindness and condescension, in love and union, in industry and frugality, in neatness and in the worship of God. Let no one have cause to say of any of you, that such a brother or such a sister is not exemplary. Let it also be an object of care and concern with each family and every member, thereof to set a good example before the brethren and sisters of other families. If all will do this faithfully and conscientiously, you will not only be great helps to each other in keeping the gospel unmarred by any bad examples in your own families, but every family will be a help and strength to all the other families, and even the world of mankind will be struck with conviction, by the uniform good example daily kept in practice before their eyes.

5. Be faithful to keep the orders which are given and established for your protection. Remember that the orders, rules and regulations of the gospel are given for the strength and protection of Believers, without them we should be weak and under no protection. They are like a golden chain encircling us around to protect us from evil; every order forms a link in this chain, & if one link is broke the chain is parted and we are exposed to evil. They are also like a wall of fire surrounding the camp of the saints, to defend them from the enemy of souls. All the works of God are a beautiful display of order, for God is a God of order, and not of confusion, but the work of the Devil. a disorderly Believer is always exposed to the influences of evil

exposed to fall under loss of some kind or other. Even little disorders are like little foxes that spoil the vines. Therefore never allow yourselves in any disorder, but be strict and careful to keep every order that is given you. Breach of order is disobedience, and one act of disobedience to any order of the gospel will bring loss upon the soul, and no good Believer will ever allow himself to be guilty of it. Man first lost his union and relation to his maker by disobedience and it is impossible for any soul to travel out of a fallen nature only by perfect obedience, which we consider altogether just and reasonable, and cheap enough for any of the lost children of men. Our blessed Mother Ann while in the body, spake much of the great privilege of souls who were called by the gospel in this life, she said we could travel out of our loss by obedience; whereas, such as died in their sins had to travel through great sufferings, if they travelled at all. Where then is the soul that can repine at the good and wholesome laws of Zion?

6. Never involve yourselves in debt to unbelievers. Give them nothing but love and good will, and then you will always have power over them. Whenever Believers allow themselves to enter into any obligations to any of the unbelieving world, they put themselves under the power of the world, and they cannot be released until they have discharged those obligations. If at any time, you should happen, under any particular circumstances, to receive any special favor or kindness from an unbeliever, it would be your wisdom to take the first convenient opportunity to return the favor in some way so as to discharge the obligation. In so doing they can have no just claim upon you. It is an old and very true maxim, that "the borrower is servant to the lender"; and Believers ought never to be servants to unbelievers by such kinds of obligations; yet they may serve them freely in any needy or distressed circumstances, by acts of kindness and charity, without seeling any bondage. But Believers ought never to lie down to rest under any pecuniary obligations of debt to an unbelieving world. This is no new doctrine, it was plainly taught by Moses - see Deut. 15. 6th "Thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow" and Rom. 13, 8th "Owe no man any thing, but to love one another." The same principle was strenuously enjoined by our blessed Mother Ann, among her first teachings to her children after they had confessed their sins, and has been conscientiously supported by the church here to the day present.

7. It is of great importance to your protection and welfare, your happiness and prosperity in the gospel to use your influence and your best endeavors to strengthen the hands and lighten the labors of your ministry and Elders by your good union, your free and open communications to them, and your faithful obedience to their counsel; for on these things your peace and justification are suspended. Their labors for the protection and spiritual welfare of the Society are often very arduous and perplexing:- They have many difficulties to encounter that you are not aware of; and the more faithful you are in your obedience to counsel, the more careful to keep your union, and the more open and free in your communications to them, the

easier it will be for them and for yourselves, and the more confidence they will have in you, and the more blessing you will feel. This you may always learn and know, by your own experience; for your union and obedience to them, and their confidence in you will always afford you comfort, peace and justification; whereas, a disobedient and distrustful soul cannot enjoy comfort nor peace; and he or she that has any faith or conscience cannot but feel condemnation for every act of disobedience to those who stand as God's ministers and spiritual leaders to the family and Society. These things ought to convince you of your obligations to your Ministry and Elders. Through the whole of our experience and observations in the work of God from the first opening of the present testimony of the gospel, we have never known an obedient soul to fail. The work and the order is of God and we are witnesses that such as have respected and regarded it as the holy anointing, have been noticed, protected and blessed of God; they could not fall, for their faith was founded on the rock of ages: They could not be shaken, altho in some instances their Elders turned to betraitors for their faith was not in personalities, but in the order of God. But we have known many whose faith seemed to center in personalities, such were always exposed to loss, for no such foundation can be of long continuance, let them be never so true to their trust; for death the common lot of mortals will soon remove all such foundations.

8. It is also a matter of great importance to the prosperity of every family & Society, and to the comfort, peace and happiness of each one and all, that every individual member should be supported in his and her lot and place, let it be whatever it may. For as there must be members appointed to occupy in every branch of business carried on in the family and Society; so all these members must be supported in their places, and occupations; because each branch is established for the benefit of the whole body. The business of the farm cannot prosper unless the farmers are encouraged and supported by the mechanics, nor can the various mechanical branches prosper, unless each branch is encouraged and supported by those who occupy in other branches. So also in the department of the sisters; every branch of their employment must be supported and encouraged by all for the benefit of the whole family. Therefore it is the duty of every member to encourage and build up all their brethren & sisters in their various occupations. For it betrays a very partial and selfish sense and disposition in any of the members, whether brethren or sisters, to let all their feelings of care and concern center in their own particular branch of business, without any regard to the feelings or the labors of their brethren and sisters who are faithfully employed in their branches which are perhaps as necessary and important to the family as their own. Such selfishness should never be found among Believers. The pursuits of the world are all for self, but Believers are called to a more disinterested work to a united interest for the good of all; therefore their labor should be to make each other happy by encouraging all in their various lots & callings as the only means of finding happiness for themselves. This is an important point;

and we hope it will be the labor of all and every individual to gain it; in so doing each member contributes to the strength of the whole body; and is also benefitted by the union strength of every individual member: so that all the members may be a help & strength not only to each other but to their Ministry and Elders, their deacons & Trustees. And on the other hand the ministry and Elders, the deacons and trustees, can be a help to each other and to all their brethren and sisters. Such is the order of God which has established and still supports the ~~order~~ Church and whole body of the faithful and forms the union, beauty and harmony of every part of the kingdom of Christ.

These sentiments, beloved friends, we convey to you in kindness, and charity, hoping that they will be treasured up in honest and good hearts and be exhibited in the daily practice of your lives; so that you may after all your misfortunes & afflictions, become a thriving, prosperous and happy people, noticed and blessed of God, and able to show forth the fruits of righteousness in all your words and works; and in so doing we can love and bless you, and bid you a kind farewell.

From the Ministry and Elders of the Church.

Watervliet April 9th 1836.

Supplement. — It is of great importance to each individual member, & to the whole body collectively, that you all attend carefully and conscientiously to the order of the gospel as it respects the opening of your minds, There are persons set in order & appointed as witnesses for God, where you all have a right to approach when you need, and to be as free as air in confessing your faults and acknowledging your lacks & shortcomings, and where you may as freely unload your burdens if you have any with your Ministry, Elders, deacons, brethren, or sisters, and may find great releasement thereby, and if not an entire releasement, you may feel justification in discharging your duty according to truth and in the order of God.

But if you open your trials in a disorderly manner and to such as are not appointed witnesses for God to hear and judge in such cases, you do them a great injury, for you load them with a heavy burden which they are not authorised to remove nor to bear away to a land not inhabited". And as for those who make such disorderly openings of the supposed sins or faults of others, they can gain nothing thereby excepting an increasing load of guilt and condemnation for having broken the order of the gospel, and bringing upon others grievous burdens & perhaps darkness and loss which they will hardly labor out of in time.

Mary Hopkins, care of Daniel Boyd Union Village New Lebanon. Warren Co. Ohio.

From the pen of Br. Seth Y. Wells. } (48) New Lebanon June 25. 1838.

Dearly Beloved Sisters. }

Your kind and very acceptable letter of June 6th was received the 14th and truly we were all very glad to hear from you, and to hear that we were doing — for althe we are surrounded with friends here, we cannot forget our good friends at home. We hope you will continue to do well, and if you do, you may depend on the blessing of God, for we have received a promise from heaven for you, and you will receive it in due time, if you are faithful — so I hope my dear sisters that you will all be awake and alive, and be ready prepared for whatever gift there may be for you. You must keep low and humble, where the good gifts of God can find you. Labor for a meek and quiet spirit in all your goings forth — Labor to increase in love one for another, and let the spirit of love and kindness be your constant companions to stimulate you in all your intercourse with each other. This will make your temporal labors pleasant to you, and you will be able to accomplish much more, and do it much easier. Here the Believers are taught and instructed how to do all their work in the gift of God, and it is delightful to see them in all their movements, actuated by the spirit of love and goodness. It seems to be the labor of every one to increase in meekness and simplicity — in brotherly & sisterly kindness and charity; and we feel great hopes and good encouragement that the same good work will e'er long be in active operation in Ohio and throughout the Western societies. So you must keep your lamps trimmed and burning and be ready to attend the call of our blessed Lord and Mother when they come: for come they certainly will, for they have promised it, and I hope and pray that they may not find you sleeping. We received a letter a week ago last saturday (the 16th) from the Ministry at South Union, and we find that the work is already begun there, and is rapidly increasing, wonderful operations of power calculated to humble and bring down every lofty feeling: and certainly God will yet humble the high minded, and stain the pride of all flesh: Therefore my dear young sisters I hope and pray that you may all be found in the lowly vale of humiliation that Mother may meet you in love and charity, and not with the rod of reproof. The work of God here is wonderful, such as we never expected to see while in the body, & such as we cannot describe on paper — and the increase of the gospel since I left N. L. nearly 3 years ago, has been very great. I can tele you but little about it now. but you shall hear more when we get home. We have visited all the families in N. L. Canaan and Wanock since we have been here, and we find the people in every family truly alive in the work of God. As far as our knowledge extends, it seems that nothing can exceed the wonderful outpourings of the spirit at this day. All the work of past dispensations evidently falls short of this: And we understand by the Canterbury

Ministry, who are now here, that the same work is going on in all the societies east of this. The wonderful visions, revelations and heavenly manifestations of what is constantly going on in the spiritual world, and what must soon take place in this world are beyond description; therefore it stands every soul in hand to be prepared for the event.— We have had a great privilege to see and notice the various operations of this truly wonderful work, since we came into these parts; and we have endeavored to make the best use of our privilege that we were able, that we might gather a good treasure to bring to our good brethren and sisters when we return.

Sister Nancy wrote a letter dated June 9th and sent it to the P. O. the 12th Elder Freegift wrote one dated the 19th and sent it to the Pittsfield P.O. while we were at Hancock. I hope they will both be received before we get this: for we feel anxious to have you hear from us as often, at least, as we can get time to write: for we are aware that you will feel more or less anxiety about us till you hear from us. Some of the visionists in their wanderings abroad, sometimes visit the western societies and see their situation. A young Believer at Canaan in one of her visions tells of going to Union Village, and says some of them have had dreams which occasioned much anxiety about us, fearing that something is the matter either that some of us are sick, or that we shall not all return home. How correct an understanding she may have rec, in her vision, we know not, but I can tell you my dear sisters, If you have had any fears on that ground you may dismiss them all and comfort yourselves with expectation of seeing us all return safe and sound and well stored with some of the good treasures of heaven for our faithful young sisters who have cheerfully borne their crosses and done the best they could in our absence.

At present it is a time of good health with us all. and we shall probably return to Watervliet the last of this week or first of next and perhaps spend two weeks there. and then proceed on ~~on~~ up the Canal and across the lake to N. Union, and spend perhaps two weeks there; and then bend our course homeward, and shall be glad to find you all well and doing well: for be assured we do not forget you, and as we love you much so we often think and speak of you. And now we all send our kind love to you and to all the good Elders, brethren & sisters in the church & families as far as the Elders feel to extend it. and when we return we will bring you some more for we have a good treasure of love for you. In the meantime you may learn these little songs which I send you. —— Betsey Hastings.

N.B. Br William has rec a letter from the Brethren dated June 5th for which he returns his kind thanks and love, and wishes them not to be uneasy about him, for he expects they will see him by the middle of August or sooner if no unforeseen circumstances prevents, We wish our particular love to go to the deacons and deaconesses and all the office folks for we dont forget, knowing as we do their exposed situation and the burden they have to bear in their calling. We think they need a double portion of our ~~love~~ blessing.

Beloved and much respected Elders. New Lebanon June 19th 1838

~~You will probably be look~~ From encouragement given in sister Nancy's last letter You will probably be looking before very long for something in my hand writing; but I hardly know where or how to begin! Not in consequence of any lack of valuable information, but rather because out of an abundance of information I hardly know what to select. But as Br Joshua wrote from Watervliet, and sister Nancy having wrote last week, it seems unnecessary to say any thing about our journey or healths, further than to say the healths of us all at this time are as good as common.

You will, no doubt, feel anxious to hear something further concerning the wonderful work of the spirit which has been going on in this country for nearly or quite a year past. concerning which we had frequent communications before we left the village. I am now prepared to say, that all the information we rec. by letter before we left union Village, was, as it were but little more than the shadow or at most, fell far short of the substance of what our eyes have seen, our ears have heard and our souls have realized at N. Lebanon and Watervliet. At different times both here and at Watervliet we have sets attended with the visionists for several hours together — Heard them converse with departed spirits, and invite them to sing, which was granted in several instances, but not in every case, When the spirits sung, the visionists would listen very attentively, and learn the song, they would then sing it themselves. We have seen as many as 8 in vision at one time and in one room, and were all in one company in a world of spirits, talking over to one another in our presence what they saw and heard in the world of souls. In these visions they are frequently deaf to any sound or voices, save that of their fellow visionists or unbodied spirits. and their natural eyes are generally fast closed; yet they are at no loss for sight, but are almost continually telling what they see. Frequently they will sing new and beautiful songs, which they will say they have learned of Mother, Father William or some other heavenly spirit. We have frequently heard songs from individual females both in public meeting and other places, which resembled some beautiful instrument of music more than any human voice.

The above is by no means a description of all the visionists, for there are a considerable number more generally of children, who will fall to the floor and lie stiff like corpses, sometimes for several hours together. Since we have been here & at Watervliet, I think we have been told by six different visionists, that Mother said she sho go home with us, or go before we did. Yesterday Mother testified to Br Rufus & me — through one of her instruments, that she had begun a work among her children which should not stop, tite every society was purged and set right: She said every one sh. believe, there should not be an unbeliever left among her children. And if there were any that would not humble themselves, and come into the work of humiliation & repentance she would cause them to be separated from Believers. she said it was,

her right to select such instruments as she chose to perform her work with; and this right she should hold; to employ the aged or young, youth or children, male or female. Mother said she was able thro' the instrumentality of the least capacity to confound & humble the most haughty & self exalted creature.

Is there any sceptics among you? If so will they not say or at least think that I am beside myself, or that since coming among the visionists I am filled with enthusiasm or that my mind has become insane!! As to the above suggestions I shall take no pains to procure evidence to the contrary; but shall let the matter rest to be decided after I return home!!! In addition to the above statements I have no hesitation in testifying as my firm belief that there is a greater and more powerful work of God going on among Believers in this country than ever existed before in any part of the earth, since it was created. I have heard of no instance of a dead natural body raised to life. But there has been repeated instances within a few months of those who had been spiritually dead for many years being raised and animated with the life of the gospel, and they now give thanks to God, to Christ and to Mother, because she has reached out her hand and drawn them out of the pit of darkness, in which their souls have been sunk.

Beloved Elders, Brethren and sisters in every family. Be of good cheer, Mother will certainly visit you. If she has not made her appearance among you already! and I should not be disappointed were she to make her first visit at the west frame. But this is her own right, and not mine to lay out. She has come in mercy and in great charity, so that any soul that has not committed an unpardonable sin, may find help and come into a travel by coming low, low, low, down, down, down! Mother will help every honest soul, by administering gifts to them sufficient to case them down into this low state where the blessings of heaven will flow into their souls.

This morning we received information from the east family that the Elder Br. Josiah Rude deceased last evening very unexpectedly. Just before dinner I went over to the ministry's shop, and Elder Ebenezer had just returned from the East family. He informed me that Elder Br. had been unwell 30 or 40 days — that yesterday towards evening they gave him a mild puke which operated very well. He was in their sick room, in their large brick shop several rods from their dwelling house. While the family were in meeting he turned or tried to turn over in bed & seemed to faint. The one in attendance being somewhat alarmed, ran immediately to the house for help which which was quickly supplied, but it was too late to restore animation! his spirit had fled to Mother. About this time or but a few minutes after a young sister (who had been in vision all meeting time in the chamber over the meeting room, attended by another sister) was conducted by her guide to Mother and found the Elder Br. with her. She talked with him freely and begged of him to come home home with her, but Mother said he must not. This was all acted over before either of the two sisters knew that he was dangerously sick.

As this was a striking circumstance and occurred only last evening I thought I would notice it in my letter. — — To morrow we expect to go over to Hancock on a visit, & probably return here again on Friday or Saturday. As for the time we shall start for home we know of nothing different from what sister Nancy stated in her letter.

Now Beloved friends, Elders, Deacons, brethren and sisters, one & all, we desire to communicate to you our kind love and blessing, desiring your prosperity & blessing in every good work. We often think of you and pray for you and we desire a continuance of your prayers and blessing for us — From your friends the Ministry of U. D.

To the Elders of the first order — to be circulated — Andrew C. Houston. U. D. W. C. O.

1836 some objection, but finally consented to go and try it.

Jan. 11 Next Melinda Watts called on and the interrogatory put to her. She made no objection, and so the conclusion was for all three of them to go. And accordingly on the

" 13th They all set out for Union Village accompanied by the
X two visiting brethren, Stephen & Joshua, also by David Price who went with his waggon to take them & their moveables.

Feb. 1 Elder Brother James Ball, went to U.V. & returned on the 4th.

" 2 David Price started on a trip to distribute garden seeds; was gone about 14 days and had good success in selling.

Feb 6 The Ministry arrived here from U.V. Daniel Hawkins in company.

X " 7 Matilda Rice was released & Betsy Milligan appointed in her stead. Polly Ball and Matilda Williams were appointed to take care of the girls.

" 13 Many good things were ministered by our beloved
" Ministry among us, and some interesting letters from the East were read, during their stay among us, and on this day they departed to Union Village.

March 15 Wm. Phillips went with Jane Tucker and her youngest son Issachar, to her Father, John Kyzer, to whom she bound young Issachar till of age.

April 6 David Price starts again with garden seeds.

" 12 Caleb Pegg & William Bridge arrive here from U.V.

" 16 E. Br. James goes to U.V. and returns on the 19th.

" 27 Wm. Moore comes from the Village by way of the canal.

May 8 David Price goes to the Village with $250 to send to Christian State of North Union by Brethren Daniel Hawkins and Stephen Wells.

May 22 David Price goes to U.V. and returns next day.

" 25 The Ministry from U.V. came to day at the head of whom was Elder Freegift Wells — vice Elder Solomon King who has so long & ably filled the lot of our first Minister in the West, but who has lately been released & Returned to the East. This is E. Freegifts first visit here. He makes a fine appearance and was very free with the people. Br. Joshua Returns to the Village and takes Isaac Newton with him. On the following saturday Isaac returned with Lewis Valentine. During the stay of the Ministry a letter was read from the East

1836 and Elder Freegift spoke feelingly to the people.

June D 12 * Sabbath. Elder Brother Exhorted all to be more spiritual minded - more free to speak their faith & to encourage one another. Several brethren responded freely & feelingly.

" 18 Elder Matthew came on a visit. The plastering in the lower part of our Meeting house was finished.

" 26 Elder Matthew addressed our meeting at considerable length & to very good effect.

" 28 Francis Espenall was received with her illegitimate child or boy Aquilla.

" 30 E. Mathew made his valediction in our evening meeting preparatory to his departure for home tomorrow.

July 7 Brother Joshua came from the village to see how we were getting along, & returned next day.

" 27 Elder Freegift, Eder Eleazer & Lewis Valentine arrived here and staid 2 or 3 days and returned

Aug. 2 Elder Brother, Elder Sister, James Martin & Eliz Davis all go to Union Village.

" 3 Thomas Williams goes to the Village after three sisters as witness in regard to land titles.

" 4 Lewis Valentine arives with Eunice Patterson, Susana Miller & Caty Rupert.

" 5 Five sisters were taken into Dayton to give in their evidence to Fulkirth, the Magistrate relative to the disputed land title.

" 6 The Elders return home from Union Village.

June D 8 * There is a record of some importance found of this date which was omitted in the sequel to Eleazer's Record which is therefore entered here.

X A change took place in the Deacon's order. Alexander Hughey is to act in the place of the trustee, and David Price to stand with him and do the marketing David Eastwood was appointed farm deacon, Eliza Davis office deaconess, Rachal Zane being released from that lot of care. Jane Patterson & Elizabeth Simonton were appointed deaconesses

X June - 16 The office was removed from the North house to the shop which has been used for a wheel wright shop and printing

1836 office, which stands in the center house yard. Alexander
× Hughey & David Price move into this building, they being
now the acting trustees of the society. The family at the
North house was broken up and moved into the center
family, leaving the house vacant, except a few hired men
who lodged there. The whole society is now concentrated
in one family and live in the center house.

Oct 20 Thomas Thompson is taken into the society as a member

Nov 18 The Ministry arrive here from Union Village

" 22 William Phillips was again apointed to stand with Elder
× Brother James Ball as second in the eldership, said lot
having been vacant since last May.

× Eliza Davis was released from the eldress order, and
place in the office deaconship.

× Matilda was apointed to live with Elder sister Eu-
nice Bedell in place of Eliza Davis.

These apointments were all regularly made by the

" 26 Ministry and they went home on the 26.

Dec 19 Br Joshua Worley, Oliver Hamton came here left next day

Jan 1st 1837 The following catalogue will show the strength and popula-
tion of Watervliet on the first of the year 1837.

×	Elders, James Ball	1	Eldresses —	Eunice Bedell	1
	Wm. Phillips	2		Matilda Williams	2
	Brethren Thos Williams	3	Sisters	Rachel Lanes	3
	Henry Grose	4		Peggy Patterson	4
	Thos Thompson	5		Polly Eastwood	5
	James Martin	6		Jane Tucker	6
	David Grummon	7		Fancis Aspinall	7
	Nehemiah Grummon	8		Hetty Ball	8
	John L. Eastwood	9		Elizabeth Maxon	9
	Jethro Boyd	10		Rachel McEowan	10
	William Hunter	11		Franky Silence	11
	Isaac Newton	12		Sarah Bates	12
	Moses Eastwood	13		Caty Eastwood	13
	Deacons David Eastwood	14		Keziah Hughey	14
	James Milligan	15		Easter Eastwood	15
	Trustees Alexander Hughey	16		Elenor Jackson	16
	David Price	17		Betsy Milligan	17

1837 Aquilla Aspinall 18

Jan 1st Thus it will be seen there were 18 males; one of these a child another a boy leaving only 16 adults 5 of whom were over 70 years of age.

Deaconesses	Jane Patterson	18
	Elizabeth Simonton	19
Trustee sisters	Eliza Davis	20
	Maryann Duffy	21
	Catharine Syms	22
	Phebe Jane Tucker	23
	Polly Ball ~~Sally~~	24
	Sally Martin	25

There were 25 females – one of them a girl.

There are a few hired hands employed by the society, 2 of them waggon makers, one Blacksmith, & one weaver. One man has rented the fulling Mill, carding Machine and sawmill for two years.

" 20 Thomas Thompson, became deranged & so troublesome that he had to be taken away and given up to the county poor officers.

24 Br. Matthew Houston came here from Union Village to live and was entitled Elder, & appointed to act as Ministry to the society in the absence of the proper Ministry.

29 Thomas Williams was appointed farm deacon and David Eastwood released, to take Thomas' place in the gristmill

April 5 David Price was released from his office & moved to U. Village and William Hunter was moved there at the same time

June 29 Elder Matthew went to Union Village, & returned July 8th.

Aug. 23 The Pleasant Hill Ministry accompanied by Eleazer, and E. Betsy Hastings arrived here on a visit, and left on 25th

Sept. 5 The Ministry arrive here from U. V. and return on 11th

" 23 A carriage load of visitors arrive from Union Village viz. John Babbit, Augustus Tibberghien, Nancy Millikin, Cynthia Tiberghien, Sally Lucas & Betsy Babbit – 6 in all

Oct. 3 We received to day a liberal present of 250 lb. salt pork from the Ch at U. V., much of ours not having been well enough salted to keep through summer, was spoiled.

" 21 A load of visitors go to Union Village, viz. Wm. Phillips, David Grummon, Betsy Milligan, Rachel Jones, Elizabeth Mason and Francis Aspinall.

" 28 Elder Archibald, Eldress Eunice, Rachel Hall & Jency Brown of White Water, arrived here on a visit. Left Nov 2nd.

1837 Nov 18th. Elder Matthew went to Union Village on a visit.

1838 Feb 15, The Ministry arrived here in a slay, the snow being 12 to 14 inches deep.

" Feb 26 During the present spell of cold weather the thermometer has been as low as 21 degrees below zero.

March 21st. Thomas Thompson recovered from his derangement and returned home.

" 30 Aquilla Aspinall was taken to Union Village to live.

April 25 Elder Matthew, Jethro Boyd, E. Sister Eunice & Matilda Williams with Nelly Jackson went to Union Village on a visit.

May 1st Our information from U.V. is that our Beloved Eldress Betsy is recovering from her dangerous illness.

" 26 Rachel Mc Cowan died, aged 86 years & 6 months

June 13 A load of visiters arrive here from the N. House, U.V. namely, Nathaniel Taylor, James Bately, Betsey Dickson, Betsy Gandy, Jane Serring & Lucy Dennise. Return 15th

July 6 Caleb Pegg, Jotham Slack & Joel Parkhurst, arrive here from 2nd order at U.V. on a visit

Aug. 30 E. Br. James Ball, Matilda Williams and Francis Aspinall, go to Union Village on a visit, and return on Sept. 1 bringing with them E. Sister Eunice Bedell who had been staying there a few weeks for medical treatment.

Oct. 18 Hetty Ball, Peggy Patterson, Easter Eastwood & Jane Tucker go to Union Village on a visit

Nov. 25 Thomas Hunt, arrived here on some business, (unknown to the historian) in behalf of the Ministry.

Dec 18 Matthew Houston was appointed Elder Brother, James Ball being released from that title and office and placed to live with E. Br. Matthew as second elder

× William Phillips was released from the elders order, and Jethro Boyd was appointed first trustee of the society, Alexander Hughey being released from the first care & appoint to stand second in the trusteeship with Jethro.

Jan. 1st 1839 The following list will show the number of members in the beginning of this year

Elders.	Matthew Houston	E. Sisters	Eunice Bedell
	James Ball		Matilda Williams
Brethren	Thomas Williams	sisters	Peggy Patterson

Jan 1st 1839

Brethr.	Henry Gross	Sisters.	Jane Tucker
	John Davis		Easter Eastwood
	Jacob Cook		Mary Ann Duffy
	David Grummon		Jane Patterson
	Nehemiah Grummon		Polly Ball
	John L. Eastwood		Betsy Williams
	Isaac Houston		Sarah Bates
	William Phillips		Hezieh Hughey
	David Eastwood		Elenor Jackson
	Moses Eastwood		Caty Eastwood
	Charles McQuart		Rachel Janes
	Robt. G. Swan		Elizabeth Maxon
Trustees	Jethro Boyd		Polly Eastwood
	Alexander Hughey	Deaconess	Eliza Davis
Asst'd	Aquilla Aspinall		Frances Aspinall
Thus there were 18 Males			Sarah Jane Martin
And — — — 26 Females			Catharine Syms
Total —— 44			Phebe Jane Tucker
Two of whom were children			Phebe Ann Wallace
And one adult deranged		Nurse	Elizabeth Simonton
			Franky Silence 26 in all

Jan 4 A family moved in numbering 8 souls, namely Jeremiah Shepper his wife & 6 children.

" 8 William Devore, with his wife & 4 children moved in.

Feb 14 Betsy Nace a Widow & 4 children moved in.

March 9 Josiah Davidson was received as a member

April 6th The visionary gift called "Mothers work" commenced

May 27 Thomas Williams was appointed family Deacon, which office was vacated by the death of James Milligan, Dec. 30th 1838

Dec. 6 Mary Jane Davis was received as a member

" 8 Eunice Wallace was also received

" 28 Deborah Ives was Received as a member

Jan 1st 1840 Thomas Johnson moved to Waterviet from Union Village He was appointed to the first care in the Temporal line and Jethro Boyd is his helper or Dr. in Care Matthew Houston and James Ball are still the Elder Brethren, and Eunice Bedell and Matilda Williams Elder sisters.

The number of members at the beginning of this year will be shown by the following list.

Jan. 1840

1	Elders. Matthew Houston	1	Eldresses - Eunice Bedell
2	" James Ball	2	" Matilda Williams
3	Alexander Hughey	3	Jane Patterson "
4	James Martin	4	Betsy Milligan
5	Thomas Williams	5	Caty Eastwood
6	William Phillips	6	Keziah Hughey
7	Isaac Houston	7	Elenor Jackson
8	Moses Eastwood	8	Rachel Janes
9	Nehemiah Grammond	9	Easter Eastwood
10	Henry Gross	10	Elizabeth Simonton
11	David Eastwood	11	Polly Ball
12	Thomas Thompson	12	Frances Aspenwall
13	Findley Shaffer (a boy)	13	Maryann Duffy
14	Augustus Nace "	14	Aletha Fowler
15	John Nace "	15	Betsy Nace
16	Reason Nace "	16	Franky Silence (Colored)
17	Deacons Thames Johnson	17	Jane Tucker
18	" Jethro Boyd	18	Katherine Symms
		19	Sally Martin
		20	Phebeann Wallace
		21	Phebe Jane Tucker
		22	Eunice Wallace
		23	Mary Jane Davis
		24	Deborah Ives
		25	Sarah Shaffer
		26	Polly Eastwood
		27	Eliza Davis. Deaconess
		28	Peggy Patterson "
		29	Mary Eve Shaffer - Girl
		30	Sarah Odem "
		31	Matilda Shaffer "
		32	Indiana Nace "
		33	Margret Shaffer "
		34	Deborah Ives Jr "

18 Males - & 34 females. Total 52

Jan 25 Stephen Baker was received as a member
1840 – Feb. 20 Drusilla Lucas was received into membership
March. 13. John Kingsberry became a member
April. 1 James Linsey became a member
" 23 John Reed attained to membership
May 18 Jacob Reed & Henry Reed were brought into the society by their Father and became members
" 13 Betsy Noe and her children moved to Union Village and Findley Shaffer went with them.
" 20 Shaffer's children 5 in number were moved to U. V.
Aug. 1 Catherine Sykes moved to Union Village
Sep. 5 Archibald Fountain was taken into membership
" 22 Deborah Ives, who left the society July 23, came and committed larceny, stealing about 50 Yds of cotton cloth 8 Sheets 8 pairs of Stockings & divers smaller articles
Dec 19 Mary Mc Graw and child, a boy, was received
Jan. 2 Jame Darrow of Union Village moved to this
1841 society to take the lead as Elder Brother. And Matthew Houston, who has stood in that place & borne that title now received the title of Elder Matthew
The numbers of the society will be exhibited as they stood in the beginning of 1841 by the following list.

1 Elder Matthew Houston
2 Eld Brother James Darrow
3 Brother James Ball
4 James Martin
5 Thomas Williams
6 William Phillips
7 Isaac Houston
8 Moses Eastwood
9 Robt Swan
10 Henry Gross
11 David Eastwood
12 John Reed Sr
13 Thomas Thompson
14 Nehemiah Grumman
15 Archibald Fountain
16 James Linsey
17 John L. Eastwood
18 John Reed Jr
19 Henry Reed (boy)
20 Jacob Reed (Boy)
21 James Reed "
22 Alexander Hughey
23 Ithamer Johnson – Deacon
24 Jethro Boyd – "

Sisters

1	Elder Sister Eunice Bedell	13	Eliza Davis — Deaconess
2	Matilda Williams	14	Polly Ball "
3	Caty Eastwood	15	Pogg Patterson
4	Keziah Hughey	16	Eliza Reed
5	Elenor Jackson	17	Jane Tucker
6	Jane Patterson	18	Francis Aspinwall
7	Rachel Lanes	19	Sally Martin
8	Betsy Milligan	20	Phebe Jane Tucker
9	Elizabeth Simonton	21	Mary McGraw
10	Easter Eastwood	22	Phebe Ann Wallace
11	Maryann Duffy	23	Franky Silence.
12	Polly Eastwood	24	Sarah Odem

Jan. 13th. Easter Eastwood was moved from W.N to Union Village

Feb 1841 — 18th. Jethro Boyd & David Eastwood were appointed to take the charge of the farm, and the hands that work on it, and Thamer Johnson was to take charge of the shops and the mechanical business, and do the trading. This is the present order & arrangement of the Deaconship.

March 28th 1841. Adison Lansdale, a single young man was received as a member

" 29 " Alexander Hughey Departed this life — A faithful & worthy brother and long a buden bearer & pillar in the society

April 10th. Elder Matthew Houston was removed to Union Village.

" 27 Betsy Kroyse with two little illegitimate children (girls) was taken in as an act of charity. She is a poor distressed ignorant Dutch woman, without home or friends.

May 13 John Wallace was received as a member

" 21 Nathaniel Massa came here to live, from the White Water society

" 29 Sarah Hughey was received as a member

June 22 Francis Ann Cushaw, a girl, was taken into the society

August 2. Eight Brethren were kindly sent from Union Village to help us put new roofs on our dwelling house & barn. The work was completed in four days.

" 23 Robt. McElhany was received as a member.

" 30 John Reed Jr (a boy) deceased.

Sept. 10 Charles Harrison was received as a member.

Oct 9 Lewis Martin was received as a member.

" 16 Wm. H. Jennings was received into membership.

Nov. 1841 This is the day appointed for Mother Wisdom to visit Waterliet and place her mark on her children. 24 brethren & 27 sisters were marked

Jan. 1842 We begin the year with 51 Members, 24 males & 27 females.

Feb. 3 Thamer Johnson was removed from his office of Deaconship and went back to Union Village to live.

David Eastwood was moved into the office to do the business in Thamer's stead

March 3 John Dobbins and family moved into the society and on the 30th instant withdrew in the night, stealing divers articles.

May 11th Mary Ann Smith, Peggy Smith & Louisa Smith, three sisters, being orphan children, were taken under the guardianship of the Society.

" 13 William Prichard, a boy, was taken in.

June 13 John & Betsy Fox with their five children pretended to join the society and on the 17th inst., 4 days after withdrew!

July 19th William Fox was received as a member, and on the 22 August, a little over one month, made tracks again. Truly these "Foxes have holes" and are very slippery fellows. They were not pursued with Hounds.

July 30 Thomas Ater, a boy, was taken into the society

Aug 17 James Hurst was received as a member.

" 29 The use of Tea, Coffee, & Tobacco was partially prohibited. The first 2 article were cut off from all under 60 years of age; and the latter from all under 40. Just Canaanites enough left in the land to bring Israel into bondage at some future, and not very distant, day.

Sept. 13th Hamilton Clayter, a boy, was brought here & bound.

Oct. 15 John Albert Gazaski was admitted to membership.

Four Boys were taken in & bound to the society, namely, James & William Gardener & Henry & Lanson Cessler.

" 20 Andrew Gardener & Samuel his son were received into this Society.

" 30 Benjamin Rone Was received as a member

Nov. 14 Charles McGurl was admitted to membership

Dec. 8 Eleazer Walker was received as a Member

" 13 Elder Sister Eunice Bedell, deceased and left that official

" station. Vacant

" 17 Mary Beck was admitted to Membership

" 18 Hortensy Jordan, a girl, was bound to this society

" 31 Eliza Davis was appointed Elder Sister, to fill the vacancy made by the death of Eunice Bedell.

Jan. 1843. 12th Jefferson Smith, a boy, was brought here by his Father
" 19 Phebe Clayter became a member.
" 21 Mary Ellen Bevets, a girl, was brought here by her mother and taken by the society at the pressing request of said mother who bound her.
Feb. 14 On this day all the Covenant members signed the new covenant or Constitution.
March 26 William Smith applied for the privilege of membership, and on the 28 inst, just 2 days after, absconded!
April 17 John Davis was admitted to a privilege.
June 1st Twenty Eight Brethren from Union Village, kindly came to help us raise a large frame building of two stories for a wood house and divers outshops. The business was accomplished in 2 days all in good order & no accident.
" 19 Mary Elen Bevets Mother, who solicited us to take her girl only 4 months ago, came this day with a Sheriff and took the unwilling child away by force, without any cause of provocation.
July 8 Joshua Linton was received as a member
" 11 William League was brought to the society & bound
Aug. 12 Broadwell Enos, a boy was brought here & bound, but left on the 27th
" 20 Christiana Gardener Was received as a member
Sept 6 John Reese was admitted to a privilege
Nov. 5 Charles Burrough set out to be a shaker
" " Mary Leterno & David Young 2 illegitimate children of one mother were brought here and taken by the society.
" 10 George Hearsford a small boy was brought here by his father.
" 20 Wm. Hunter, a boy, was brought here & left
" 21 Susan Kinsey a young woman from Dayton Joined
Dec 2 Wm. Hearsford, Father of George, set out to be a Believer

Heere follows a list of the names of all the members. on

Dec 31 – 1843

Eld. Br. 1	James Darrow	7 Charles Burrow	13 John Reed
2	James Ball	8 Jacob Reed	14 Robt. McElhany
3	Moses Eastwood	9 Jethro Boyd	15 John Reece
4	William Phillips	10 David Eastwood	16 Thomas Williams
5	Isaac Houston	11 John L. Eastwood	17 James Martin
6	Nehemiah Grummon	12 Henry Gross	18 Wm Prichard

19 Thomas Thompson
20 Wm. Hosford
21 Henry Reed
22 Joshua Clinton
23 Wm. Hunter
24 George Hosford
25 Robt. G. Swan
26 Archibald Fountain
27 Charles McGurk
28 Adison Landsdale
29 James Reed
30 Saml. Gardener
31 Franklin Shoup
32 Jefferson Smith
33 Wm. League
34 Hamilton Clater
35 Henry Cessler
36 James Gardener
37 Alex. McGraw
38 Lanson Cessler
39 Wm Gardner
40 Harrison Rose
41 Thomas Ater
42 David Leterno

Sisters Names

E. Sister 1 Eliza Davis
2 Matilda Williams
3 Elizabeth Simonton
4 Peggy Patterson
5 Polly Eastwood
6 Polly Ball
7 Sally Martin
8 Margret Clinton
9 Susan Kinsey
10 Margret Kinsey
11 Keziah Hughey
12 Caty Eastwood
13 Betsy Milligan
14 Rachel Lanes
15 Jane Patterson
16 Francis Aspinall
17 Eliza Reed
18 Mary Beck
19 Phebe Clater
20 Sarah Hughy
21 Christiana Gardener
22 Jane Tucker
23 Phebeann Wallace
24 Franky Silence
25 Betsy Krype
26 Elenor Jackson
27 Mary Ann Duffy
28 Phebe Jane Tucker
29 Mary Ann Smith
30 Sarah Bates
31 Hortensa Jordan
32 Peggy Smith
33 Sarah Ann Krype
34 Mariah Krype
35 Louisa Smith
36 Cynthia Clayter
37 Mary Leterno.

1844

Jan. 17 Margret Reed, Daughter of John & Eliza Reed came with her infant son Luther Reed, and was received as a member

Feb. 19 Alexander Douglass was received as a member

March 13 Jane Ball, Isaac Houston & Jethro Boyd all were removed from this society to Union Village. And on the " & 16th inst John Babbit was moved from U. Village to Watervliet to succeed James Ball as Second in the Eldership

" 19 Wm. Phillips and Moses Eastwood were moved to U. Village

March 20 The Ministry who had come here from U. V. on the 11th inst. returned home to day.

As a portion of the Books entitled "The sacred roll" was allotted to Watervliet to distribute, it should have been mentioned that on Feb 6th (of last month) two copies were sent to the Governor of Tennessee, accompanied by a letter.

" 21 A copy of the Sacred Roll was sent to Bishop Polk of Tennessee and one to Judge Dunlap of the same state, both accompanied by a letter.

" 28 A copy of the Roll was sent to Samuel Hedge of Hudson, West Tennessee, accompanied by a letter.

August 6 Ministry here from Union Village

Nov. 18 The Ministry with Olivers C. Hampton & Philip Antes arrived here, informing us that "Our Heavenly Father" would visit us on the morrow!

" 19 This day Our Heavenly Father appeared in the form of Olivers C. Hampton & spake through him & marked all his children in this place.

There was an omission with regard to sending 3 copies of the Sacred roll: To wit,

July 16 One copy was sent to John Bell of Tennessee, and one to John Nelson of Knoxville of the same state, and a letter accompanied each. Also:

Oct 25 One copy was sent to Elder S. S. Parr of Memphis, Tennessee, and a letter accompanied it.

As all these letters which accompanied this Book were similar, it seems proper that a copy of it should be here transcribed and preserved.

Watervliet, Montgomery Co. Ohio

Friend —

Accompanying this letter is a copy of a Roll written by a member of the United Society called Shakers at New Lebanon, County of Columbia & state of New York.

This book was written by divine inspiration and printed by the command of the Almighty. We do not feel it our province to judge of the work and designs of our heavenly

1844. Father in this matter; nor do we feel responsible for the same, but we feel it our duty to present you with a copy. We therefore hope that we shall not be considered as intruding upon you by the discharge of this duty.

We are fully aware that the manner in which this book is written, in the name of Inspiration from the Almighty, is not according to the generally received opinions, and present sense of mankind. But we solemnly believe it was never directed by mortal wisdom. And altho' evidence of this cannot so satisfactorily appear, to those who are unacquainted with the manner in which it was revealed; yet to us there was sufficient evidence given to convince us thoroughly that it could proceed from no other source than the infinite wisdom of the Creator of Heaven & Earth. Therefore as dependent beings on his power and goodness, we feel it our duty humbly to receive his word and bear witness of the same before all men. And we hope it will be candidly received, seriously read and consciensiously considered by all into whose hands it may come.

We sincerely hope that the book may not be cast aside as the effect of frenzy or fanaticism, would respectfully suggest that the well known character of the Society for honesty, integrity & uprightness, which has been established for sixty years past, is calculated to be good evidence of sincerity on our part in the matter in question.

We therefore present this book as performing a consciencious duty, without the least expectation or desire of any compensation otherwise than the good we hope it may do our fellow mortals. And we fervently desire and pray that it may be productive of good to all who may receive it with the like good will with which we send it forth.

The words written on the first half of the book are commanded so to be done by the mighty Angel who hath directed the work from the beginning.

If any correspondence by letter respecting this book is desired, the writer may address either of the signers of this letter. But if the object be to reprint the book it would be most consistent to address the persons whose names are mentioned at the close of the book in a small note. These names will be found to be Richard Bushnell & Frederic W Evans.

James Darrow
John Babbitt
Agents for the Society at this place

It may be observed that for a number of years back there was a pretty fair record kept of occurrences in this society by Br Moses Eastwood but after his removal to U.V. in March of this year no regular record seems to have been made of passing events so that our record will necessarily be very meager, for at least 2 or more years

Aug 6 We had a visit from the Ministry of Union Village
Sept 18 The Ministry with C. C. Hampton & Philip Antes were here
1845 Jan. 22 David Eastwood went to U.V.
" 30 E. Brother James Darrow, With Adison Landsdale went to U.V.
Feb. 15 John Babbitt & David Eastwood returned home to day from a visit to Union Village
March 21 Jno Babbitt went down to U.V.
" 26 Ministry here from U.V. Returned 29
April 29 Four horses and harness stolen
May 7 Ashbel Kitchel, Sanford Russell, Betsy Dickson & Lucina Risley called here on their way to N. Union.
July 14 Jno Babbitt and Abner Reynolds went to U.V.
22 The Ministry here from U.V. Returned home 26th
Aug. 16. E. John and S. Union Ministry here on a visit
Oct. 6 C. D. Hampton here on business
" 9 Two of our brethren went with 3 yoke of oxen & wheels to U.V. to assist in moving their Cx stable. Continued p 75

Recapitulation of the Commencement and subsequent changes in Eldership & Trusteship, from 1806 to 1844, and ultimately to 1856

Eldership

March 1806 John Stewart was regularly appointed by Elder Isacher & Elder Benjamin, as the first Elder of the little society of Believers who were then still living in there own families as the gospel found them

June 18th 1808 John Stuart, after filling his lot with much acceptance for over two years & three months, departed this life; and William Stewart and James Patterson were put in care of the Society as his immediate successors.

Sept. 12th 1812 The Society was organized in family order, and James Patterson was duly appointed first Elder & John Houston was duly set apart Second Elder. Also Charity (alias) Rosanna Shields 1st Elder Sister and Pegg Worley (since called Miriam) was Second.

Feb. 1815. John Houston changed Places with James Patterson and became First in the lead.

Sept. 21 1817 John Houston deceased, and consequently a change. James Patterson became again First Elder, and Nathaniel Taylor was duly appointed Second Elder on the 1st of November following.

Sept. 25th 1817 Molly Kitchel was appointed to stand 2nd Eldress with Charity Shields & Miriam Worley returned to Union Village

May 12 1818 Molly Kitchel became 1st Elder Sister in place of Charity Shields deceased — much deplored — and Patience Milligan was duly appointed 2nd Eldress

Oct. 31 1820 The First Family moved into the new brick center house, and the Eldership was thus organized:
James Patterson 1st & Nathaniel Taylor 2nd Elders
Betsey Milligan 1st & Molly Kitch. 2nd Elder Sister
In May 1822 The titles of Elder Brother & Elder Sister were were first bestowed on James Patterson and Betsy Milligan afterwards to all family leads. i.e the two first in lead

Sept. 22 1822 Nathaniel Taylor took the place & titles of James Patterson deceased, & Isaac Martin was appointed

~~Oct 9 1822~~ to stand with E. Brother Nathaniel as 2nd. till Oct 9th 1822.

Oct 9 1822. Robt Baxter came from U. Village, and took the place and title of Nathaniel Taylor – Isaac Martin was released from his lot of eldership and Nathaniel stood 2nd with E. Brother Robert.

Aug. 11th 1824 Nathaniel Taylor was released from his lot of care and returned to Union Village. and, on the

Oct 24 " following Elder Issachar Bates & Joshua Worley came from Union Village as helps and, as a successor to Nathaniel Joshua Worley was appointed to live with E. Br. Robert.

" " Elder Issachar as an incipient nucleus to a future Ministry was placed up Garret in the Ministerial order.

" " Molly Kitchel was released in Sept. and Electa Morrell from Union Village filled her place

☞ [Note. There is a discrepency in the dates of one year in relation to the removal of Molly & the succession of Electa as may be seen on p. 10 of this record, which the present Recorder has no means of reconciling or correcting. Molly is said to be released a short time after, Nathaniel, and the releasment of the latter is placed after the arrivel of E. Issachar in 1824 and yet Molly's releasment is placed in 1823. It seems most probable that 1824 is the proper date.]

April. 1826 Joshua Worley returned to Union Village and Daniel Martin took his place with E. Br. Robert.

At the time of E. Issacher's arrival in 1824 there was a change in the sisters department of Eldership, not then noticed. E. Sister Betsy Milligan gave place to Eunice Patterson, & July 14th 1825 Electa Morrell was succeeded by Eliza Davis.

July 8th 1826, Jane Buchanan was put in with E. Sister Eunice Patterson and Eliza Davis was released

Jan. 6 1827. E. Sister being released, Jane Buchanan remained in her place without title, and Rachel Lane as her help.

April 15 1827. The order of Eldership was radically changed Elder Brother Robert dropped his title and went into the garret to live with Elder Issacher & became Brother Robert Eldress Salome Dennis & Sister Eunice Bedell, went

into the opposite garret room. Thus constituting ~~lot one~~ an Eldership for the family, and a Ministry for the whole Society. This order of things continued till April 1st 1832

April 1st 1832 Elder Eleazer Wright (alias Rich.d McNemar Succeeds Elder Issachar as head of the Society and Family, the latter being this day released from his burthen.

April 16 1835 A vacancy occurred in the eldership by the departure of Rob.t Baxter.

" 25 William Phillips received an appointment to fill Rob.ts place. This nomination was made by letter from the Ministry of Union Village, and laid before a "select meeting" on the 27 and concurred in, and on the same day said Wm. P. took his place in the Elder's station

July 5th The following changes in the Eldership were proposed by Elder Solomon, and "cordially approved" by the family
First Eldress Salome to be released & Eunice Bedell to take her place. Eliza Davis to fill the place that Eunice had occupied & stand second with her.
Second William Philips to leave his place & James Ball to occupy it and take the title of Elder Brother.
Third Eunice Bedell also to take the title of Elder Sister and Eleazer to still retain his the title of Elder.
The Eldership therefore at this date stands thus:
Elder Eleazer Wright }
Elder Brother James Ball }
Elder Sister Eunice Bedell }
Sister Eliza Davis }

Nov. 10th 1835 Elder Eleazer was released from the Elders lot and Jame Ball took his place and, William was installed 2nd Elder to live with him. No change of Sisters.

Nov. 22 Eliza Davis was released & Matilda Williams to her place.

Dec. 18th 1838 James Ball was released from his lot in the eldership & Elder Matthew Houston took his place and title of Elder Brother & Jame Ball took Wm Philips as 2nd with E. Br Matthew; Wm Philips being entirely release

Dec. 31st 1840 Matthew Houston was released, and James Darrow took his place & title of E. Brother. Jame Ball is still Second

Recapitulation continued

Jan 3 This day Elder Brother James Darrow was regularly
1844 installed into office and took his place in meeting.

March 14 James Ball was released from his office in the Eldership and went to Union Village.

" 16 John Babbitt Came from Union Village and succeeded James Ball as Second Elder with E. Br James Darrow

* Oct 23rd 1846 John Babbitt being sick returned to U.V. and was released from his lot in the eldership.

1847 Jan. 20 R. W. Pelham from Union village was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Eldership occasioned by the releasement of John Babbitt

* Dec 12th 1842 There was an omission in the proper place to notice that E. Sister Eunice Bedell deceased at this date and her place was vacated.

Jan. 1st 1843 or about that time Eliza Davis was installed as Elder sister in the place that Eunice Bedell had occupied; Matilda Williams still retains her place. So that on Jan 20th 1847 the Eldership stood thus:

Jan. 20 1847

E. Br. James Darrow — E. Sr Eliza Davis
Br R. W. Pelham — Sr. Matilda Williams

March 26th 1850 James Darrow was released from his office & Richard W. Pelham Succeeded to his place and tittle, and Br. Moses Eastwood was appointed to fill the vacancy as Second in the Eldership — Sisters remained unchanged and the Eldership now stood thus:

E. Br, Richard W. Pelham — E. Sr Eliza Davis
Br Moses Eastwood — Sr Matilda Williams

Jan. 19th 1854 Eliza Davis was released on account of protracted illness, and Rachel Hall took her place & title.

Sept. 25. 1856 A great and radical change took place in organization of the Society and its Eldership
1st Rachel Hall was released from her lot and Matilda Williams succeeded to her place and title, and Maryann Duffy was installed as 2nd with Elder sister Matilda.
The whole Eldership with nine other members, seven sisters & 2 brethren then moved to the North house

Recapitulation Continued

making a family of 13 members, Elders & all Four Brethren & Nine sites.

The Eldership of this family now stems thus:

Elder Brother — Richard W. Pelham — E. Sr Matilda Williams

Br. Moses Eastwood — Sr Maryann Duffy

2d E. Br. Ebenezer Rice — E. Sr Adeline Wells

Br Matthew Carter & Sr Matilda Butler

were installed — Elders of the Center house

So that now there are two families and two entire Eldership

Nov. 1st 1856. R. W. Pelham was relaved from his lot of care and by order of Elder John Martin — he enstalled Moses Eastwood, and bestowed his title of "Elder Brother" on him. Ramoth Gilead Bunton was installed 2nd to stand with Moses — So the Eldership of North house now stands thus:

E. Br Moses Eastwood — E. Sr Matilda Williams

Br Ramoth G. Bunton Sr Mary Ann Duffy

Dec. 25. 1856. Ramoth G. Bunting failed to fill his place took sick and returned to the other family Moses remained alone so the Elders remained until March 25. 1859 when the family was released from having any Elders in it but the same Elders remained in charge of the family as before

Nov. 28. 1859. Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice was released from being Elder Brother and Matthew Carter succeeded him and William Brittain to assist him as second

The North house was appoint to be the gathering order and Elders were appointed Ephraim Frost was appointed to take the lead in the family and received the title of Elder Ephraim and Moses Eastwood to stand with as second

Matilda Williams was appointed first and took the title of Eldress Matilda and Mary Ann Duffy to stand with her thus and so stands the present order of Elders

November 11. 1862 Matthew Carter was released from being first Elde Brother and William Redman was appointed to take the lead Matth to stand second

Recapitulation 7-43

Succession of the Office Deacons or Trusteeship.

Jan. 1812. Abraham Southard was appointed first Trustee

Feb 1815 Sidney Davis was appointed first office Deaconess

April " John Martin succeeded Abraham Southard deceased ×

Sept 1817 Culbertson Patterson succeeded John Martin

June 8 1822 James Ball succeeded C. Patterson — being 4th in succession and John Martin stood with him as helper

In Dec 27 1831 John Martin absconded and James Ball was left alone, till Jethro — alias John Boyd was appointed a help in the office.

July 2 1835 Alexander Hughey succeeded Jame Ball (5th in succession) Jethro Boyd continued as assistent.

David Price was appointed as another assistent in the office with Alexander & Jethro. June 8th 1836

April 5th 1837 David Price was release

Dec 18 1838 Jethro Boyd succeeded Alexander H. (6th in succession) and Alexander became his assistent

Jan. 1 1840 Ithamer Johnson succeeded Jethro (as 7th in succession) and Jethro became his assistent, Alexander being released on account of infirmity

Feb 3 1842 David Eastwood succeeded Ithamer (as 8th in succession) and Jethro continued as helper till March 13th 1844 when the said Jethro went to Union Village.

March 13th 1844 Thomas Williams went into the office as a helper to David and continued till Sept 25th 1856

Sept 25. 1856. Ezra Sherman was appointed trustee with David and took possession of the Offi and David moved to the North house

April 11. 1859. David Eastwood moved back to the Office and him
1860 and Ezra Sherman are our present trustees

Decm 13 David East wood was released from the trustee order and succeeded by Moses Eastwood who moved to the office the 15

November 15. 1862 Moses Eastwood was released from the trustee order and Ezra Sherman was appointed to fill that order and Moses Eastwood to do the pedling and marketing and remain in the office

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Oc 15 David Darrow, a natural brother to Elder Br James has been here some days on a visit, and this day went with John Reed to Union Village

Nov 6 Thomas Williams went to Union Village with a load of broomhandle stuff to get slit & turned

" 17 E. Br James went to Union Village

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May 9 The Elders all go to Union Village and stand over Sabath and attend meeting there and came home on Tuesday 12th.

June 15 Lewis Valentine came from Union Village and returned home on the 17

" 19 Some Union Village brethren & North Union Br arrive here from U.V. with 15 head of cattle a present to the N. U. Society where they are driving They left on the 21 and we added to present four more head, making 19 in all.

Aug 6 Ministry here and stay till 13 & return

July 17 James Smith & Wm. Philips here from U.V They return on the 19th

" 28 A load of visiters, namely, A. Fountain, Jenny Patterson, Nelly Jackson & Franky Silence went to Union Village, and came home Sept. 1st.

Sept 14 Moses Eastwood here from W. Water, and returns 17th

" 22 Elder John & C. D. Hampton here from U.V.

Oct. 27 Thomas Williams, John Reed, Sally Martin and Phebe Jane Tucker Went to Union Village. The three first named came home on the 2nd Nov. & left Phebe Jane to stay a few weeks.

Nov. 20 About this time Our grist mill having two run of stone was burnt. There was 600 bushels of corn, 60 bushels of wheat and some buckwheat in the mill all of which was a total loss. It was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary.

" 23 Ministry came to day and returned home 27th

Jan. 6 Elder John came to day

" 11 Lewis came to day and returned 13th

" 20 R. W. Pelham moved here to day from Union Village, to fill the vacancy in the Elders lot made by the releassment of Br. John Babbitt whose health has so failed as to disable him.

At this time the society consists of 15 adult males, one of which is helpless with old age, being about 100 years old, and another completely deranged; and 22 adult females. There are 14 boys & as many girls making the whole number old and young 65.

Jan 22 Richard began to make a cupboard for the Garden house to put seeds &c in.

" 23 We took a wood lot of some 30 acres from John Moler to clear for the timber and fuel, which turned out to be a good opperation

26 Richard went to Dayton to inspect & price carding machines, a spinning jack &c with the view of building and starting a woolen factory

Feb. 2 Was kept as the anniversary of the giving of the "Sacred Roll", and also as the "Yearly sacrafice" living on bread and water.

" 6 Richard began to make a long table for cutting out garments on.

" 9 Bro. Lewis Valentine & Abiather Babbit arrived here from N. Y. and brought home Phebe Jane Tucker. They returned home on the 10th.

" 15 Br. Richard, with 9 brethren, all the available force of the family turned out to chopping wood for next winters supply, the family now being destitute only as it is sawed or chopped for daily use and green at that.

" 18 Four brethren and three sisters E. Br. Aaron Babbitt Martin Babbitt, H. L. Eades & Enoch Jacobs. E. Sisters Caty Boyd. Amy Slates & Sarah Babbitt arrive here from N. Y.

" 19 Br. Richard and David Eastwood went to Dayton and engaged the City Hall to hold a meeting in tomorrow.

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Feb 20th. Cloudy & some Rain. Went to Dayton with three Waggons and thirteen Believers, 7 Br. & 6 Sisters, to attend the meeting appointed yesterday. We had a congregation of say, about 500, mostly very attentive hearers. Br. Enoch addressed them about one hour & an half, with much Eloquence & effect. We sang several hymns and appointed a meeting at our meeting house tomorrow

" 21 Sabbath. Meeting was held at the meeting house at 1 o clock P.M. and about 150 hearers were present. They were address 1½ hours by Br Enoch with a most convincing and argumentative discourse; and never did we see a more still, quiet and attentive in our meeting house.

Pressly Proctor from K.Y. was admitted as a member.

"22 Monday. Our visitors took their departure for home

March 4th. Augustus Tibberghien here from U. Village
Jefferson smith a Youth taken into our family

" 11 Jacob Smith, Father of Jefferson joined

" " A post & board fence commenced around the garden which was finished on the 19th. The garden is now well enclosed

We have perseverred in chopping wood till we are satisfied we have plenty for the remainder of this season and to carry us thro' another winter. This will add greatly to our physical & social comfort.

March 24 We have had up to this time a cold stormy March and to day is the very first that would do to plow, and we therefore this broke ground and commenced gardening which Br Richard superintends & has Liberty Holmes and Adison Landsdale to help him, They go in for a market garden

" 26 Presly Proctor. sent back to P. Hill

April 2 Elder Harvey. L.C. E. Jacobs & Rob. Thompson here from U.V.

April 4 Clear & pleasant. Eleven of our family, 4 brethren & 7 sisters, accompanied our visiting brethren from U.V to Dayton, where they held another meeting which commenced at 11 o'clock A.M. & continued 2 hours. Br Enoch held forth and his discourse occupied the whole time except the singing of a hymn or two.

" 10 Adison Landsdale who had been selected for one of the garden hands this day left for the world, and thus the burden of the garden all fell on Richard, Liberty

" 12 Richard went to Union Village, and returned on the 14th bringing with him Oliver C. Hampton to stay a while.

" 18 A day of day of general confession.

" 19 Richard sick had a 3 hours shake of ague &c

" 30 Brethren finished planting corn. Richard still sick and nearly confined to his room; chill & high fever.

May 5 Eldres Sally, Sister Naomi here. Br Amos P. came with them. They went home on the 7th.

" 13 Richard has so far recovered as to cut out 8 pair of pants to day and says he is convalescent, having been very sick 24 days.

" 14 Eli Goodale & wife here. He is a millerite, and professes to have been living apart from his wife & bearing his cross for some time past.

" 22 Eli Goodale opened his mind, but seems so scattered or shattered as not be very promising. He is a clothier by trade. His wife is not yet ready

" 25 Eli G. & wife started on a visit Union Village, and Stephen Easton, John Babbitt & Isaac Houston arrived from there in the evening, and returned on the 27th.

" 29 Jacob Smith withdrew clandestinely

" 30 Simon Monger & Amelia Hudson joined

June 1 Eli Goodale & wife returned from U.V

" 5 Started our carding machine which Eli has been repairing

" 6 A young woman named Sidney Smith confessed from Dayton

June 8 Sisters Prudence Morrell & Eliza Sharp, formerly of Union Village, but now of New Lebanon N.Y. who are now in this country on a visit to their friends came this from U.V. Lewis Valentine & Lois Bedell came with them. They all left for U.V on the 11th.

" 14 John Tierbyfill, wife & 6 children moved in and adopted as members.

Simon Moyer [Magus] and Amelia Hudson withdrew They are free lusters, and each of them have a lawful companion at their homes!

" 15 Elder John came and brought Joshua Galloway to live here. E. John left on the 17

" 20 Virgil Church a man of some 40 years joined

" 27 Sabath. This day, public meeting which had been closed for many years was opened. There was a respectable congregation in attendance and Richard preached to the people. They paid earnest attention

July 12 James Martin deceased, aged 101 Years 3 months and 25 days! He was born March 17th 1746 and has been a member of this society for nearly 40 years — a very good and worthy brother and retained his senses uncommonly bright to the last.

" 14 For the eight last days we have had rain every afternoon between 5 & 7 o clock; then clearing off in the night, has remained clear till the next afternoon.

" 17 Jefferson Smith off

" 26 It may here be observed, that one main object of the Ministry in sending Br R. W. Pelham here was to have assist, as soon and as fast as all concerned could see this way clear, to build & start a woolen factory. Previous to his arrival they had intended to erect the building on the site of the Gristmill which had been burnt; but at Br Richard's suggestion that said site might yet be wanted for a Grist mill, & that the site of the present Carding machine house (a small frame almost ready to tumble down) was full as good or better for the woolen factory, this was unan-

imously agreed on. It was also further proposed by Br Richard, that the vacant dwelling, a frame building, called the "West house" 30X40 feet could be moved down and set in contact with the present Carding machine building and thus provide building room for the factory much sooner and cheaper than to make a new building as had been intended. This proposition was unanimously agreed to and this day we commenced the work of taking down the chimneys & of the West house to prepare for moving it. Meantime the Carding machine building, 30X28 was taken through a thorough repair New sills — new lower floor — new weatherboarding from bottom to top.

Aug 11 Joshua & John T to U.V. and thence to Hamilton after John's oldest daughter, they returned on the 13th with Johns daughter, a young woman grown — She confessed her sins next day & seems a well disposed girl Her name is Sarah.

" 16 Thomas Johnson, Wm Reynolds & Wm Ross here from U.V.

" 19 Br Richard 1000 Strawberry plants in North garden A mole & ditch was commenced to turn the water off of the factory which succeeded and perfectly answered the purpose.

" 27 Set out 1600 more strawberry plants & finished the patch 2600 in all.

" 30 Dug the trenches and began to lay the foundation stones for set the factory building on when moved and finished on the 31st — done by Henry Reed & Richard.

" 31 This day R. Johnson of Dayton whom we had engaged to move our West house to the factory site came with 6 hands and commenced the work.

Sept. 8 This day the factory building was got to its place and the bill settled $95 besides our own work 35 days & 7 days with one ox team, which with the board may be put at 45 dollars Making 140 dollars for the building already inclosed!

Sept 14 Frost! severe — Dogs killed 30 of our sheep and wound 5 more!

" 15 E. John & Robt. White of N.Y. city an outside believer here.

" 21 Began to plow for wheat

" 22 Hired Thomas Aspinall and started our fulling works which is repaired — The fulling stuff is in the lower story of the Carding machine building.

23 Stephen Easton of U.V. here.

24 Finished the underpining & stone pillars of the factory building and let the building down on them. It stands level & perfectly firm

27 Put in all the sleepers in lower story they with the lower flower having been removed in order to facilitate the the moving — Four handsom pillars were also set up to support 2d floor. Also 44 yds of tenter bars were finished to day

Oct. 1 Mary Hammond joined.

" 2 Brethren finished seeding 35 acres of wheat and 4 acres Rye.

" 7 Began to ceil the fulling mill. Two brethren and 3 sisters here from P. Hill, R.I., Namely, E. Brother Edmund Bryant, Wm. Munire, E. Sr Polly, Sarah Pool & Docia Verbrike. Br Lewis V. came with them. They departed on the 9th.

" 13 Br Richard began to build factory Chimney and got up high enough for stove pipe. Finished 18th.

" 18 Commenced ceiling factory with poplar —

" 20 Ministry here. Sidney Smith, the Dayton girl absconded & stole divers articles of clothing.

" 23 Ministry went home.

" 24 Mellissa McDonals and orphan girl taken in.

" 30 Br Richard went to U.V. Returned Nov 1st.

" In this visit $135 dollars were presented as a donation to this society, as so much amounts for the loss of the Grist mill by fire, as nothing hitherto had been done. 100 from First family & 35 from Second

Nov 1st We afterward received $50 from North Union making the full amount of 185 dollars.

" 5 David Eastwood and 3 of our aged sisters go to U.N on a visit. Returned ~~Monday~~ Wednesday 10th — Gone 6 days.

" 11 Daniel Lerring & Timothy Bonnel here from U.N and returned home on the 15th.

" 17 Br. Richard went to Dayton and closed a contract for our woolen machinery, namely, One 30 inch Card for Breaker 1, 24 inch Card for Condenser one 120 spindle jack all for $899.40 to be finished set up and started by the manufacturers by the 1st of May next & warranted to work right. Elder John arrived & left again on the 20th.

" 28 The Public meetings were this day closed. Br Richard has preach almost every sabath day since they were opened.

Dec 4 E. Br James Darrow went to U.N and returned on the 6th. and on the same evening Daniel Baird of N. Union came

" 13 Daniel Baird left for N. Union

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Remarks. Still another year is added to the eternity of the past, which like all preceding ones, has developed the ruin of many an air built castle; produced some fortunes and many more misfortunes — many births and burials, fires & floods, with a full tale of those vicissitudes, which checker the annals of the past. With regard to the weather, the year, like the one that preceded it, has been one of abundant rains, and the earth has been continually drenched with excessive wet. In some cases there have been terrible floods, producing immence loss and great calamities. Dayton has been inundated; and Cincinnati with many other cities & towns have suffered vast damage from partial or total inundation

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Dec 31 Health. The health of the society has been generally good. There have been a few cases of agues among the sisters and the children but mostly light. Temporal business in General. The extreme wetness of the season has rendered it quite unfavorable for most kinds of our business except sawing and that has been but dull owing to the worn out condition of the saw mill. Nevertheless there has been considerable fencing and building timber sawed; some post and board fence has been made and other fencing improvement.

The carding machine house has undergone a thorough repair, having been raised and new sills put under it, with a good stone underpinning and new floor. All the old weatherboards were stripped off, and it was newly covered from bottom to top, roof excepted. The lower story was handsomely sealed, the fulling stocks repaired, & a new scouring mill made worth $50. A new stove with plates for pressing was procured which cost over $30, and a new cloth press was built, and the fulling started in the fall in this lower story. In the upper story the old carding machine underwent a thoro repair, and the carding of rolls was started, tho rather late in the season to get a good run of custom; yet we fulled and carded for customers, to the amount of more than one hundred dollars besides doing our own work.

The principle improvement of the season, however, was the removal of the West House down and setting it at the east end of the carding machine house and fitting it up for a woolen factory. After being put to its place it was well underpinned & the lower floor laid anew. A chimney was built and both stories were handsomely ceiled with poplar boards.

It should have been remarked that this building was

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originally filled in with brick, & plastered on the inside, and it was no small job to take out this filling in, tear down the two chimneys, and take out all the partitions and the lower floor previous to moving. The building was in a somewhat delapidated condition; the sash having been taken out & the glass mostly broken. After the removal the sash were refilled & put in, the weather boarding decently repaired and whitewashed, so that the building assumed a respectable appearance. With regard to the fulling & carding building it should have been observed, that entire new sash and glass were put into the lower story, and new doors. The dye house was removed and refitted up, a kettle set and chimney built & an entire new set of tenter bars & posts was put up. A large ditch was also dug south of the factory and a mole thrown up from the race to the creek to prevent the waste water from flooding the factory. A yard was fenced round the factory with posts and boards.

Considerable improvements have been made in the garden. The number of current bushes have been considerably increased, and two new rows of raspberries have been set out. The pie plant has been almost doubled, and a full half acre planted to asparagus. The garden has been newly fenced with posts & boards on three sides. Besides these things a new garden has been laid out & commenced at the north, with a new post and board fence made on the south side. A good crop of peas, beans, potatoes cabbages, beets, onions &c was raised in this garden. About one hundred loads of manure were hauled into it, and a number of large stones, dug out or blowed to pieces with powder and removed. A large patch of have been set out in it.

Among the prominent improvements of the year may be reckoned the opening of a new road between this and the adjoining county, on our East line by which the road passing by our house has been vacated

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and shut up so that we are more secluded from the noise, dust and other annoyances of a public high way

There was another job of improvement done on our unfinished bakehouse, To wit, new floors laid both below and above; 3 partitions studded & lathed 4 doors 7 windows sash & glass put in, the out side plastered and pebble dashed and the chimney topped out.

Ingathering. One whole family has been gathered in consisting of 9 persons, another widow and four children one grown, and four others who have come in singly. In all 18. Of these 7 are adults and 11 children — 7 males & 11 females. Seven others have come in & went out in the course of the year.

Increase of Numbers. As there were 65 members at the commencement of the year & 18 have been added we should have 83, but two of the original members have withdrawn & there has been one death, namely James Martin aged 101. These subtracted leave 80, a nett increase in number of 15 souls.

In connection with the subject of ingathering it must be mentioned that public meetings were commenced on June 28 & continued till Nov. 28th when they were again closed.

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Jan. 8 Br Richard examined the tail race below the factory site & saw mill with a spirit level, with the view sinking the tail race so as to gain on more foot fall at the factory site if possible. The old Carding machine wheel is only 7 feet diameter and we want the new one 8 feet. He found 17 inches fall 90 yards below the mill and concluded it possible to gain the foot, the work of scraping out the tail race was immediately commenced

" 9 Wm. Hasford, a widower who has two children here was taken into membership.

Jan. 30 "Yearly sacrafice"

" 31 Br Richard and Thomas Williams went to U.V. and returned on the 2d of Feb. bringing with them $1297 in cash belongin to Waterviet, but which had been deposited at U.V. for some time. This money has been held in reserve for getting up a Woolen factory

Feb 2 Mary Jane Walcot joined.

" 5 This day Rose & Co were paid $500 in advance on our woolen machinery

" 8 Philip Antes here from U.V. and returned on the 10th

" 9 Joshua went to Troy with Sister Matilda & Sidney Dye

" 10 Thomas Williams went to Troy to day for a load of Sidneys effects.

" 11 Thomas, Joshua & the sisters got home. David. E. & John Reed went to Dayton and brought home 2017½ lbs Sugar bought at 5 cents pr lb., cost $100. 87½

" 15 Br Richard went to Dayton and engaged the shafting for the Factory 36 feet 3 inches & 2 inch iron, with 7 cast iron pullies. To be made in 4 pieces & coupled in 3 places.

" 19 Heavy Rain and a great fresh – Saw mill stopped with back water.

" 24 Our crop of cloves was cleaned & measured – Had 8 bushels

March 4 Went to Dayton with two teams and brought home the two new Carding machines.

" 7 Went again to Dayton and brought home the spinning Jack.

" 8 Two plows started.

" " Br Richard commenced Gardening & sowed divers seeds

" 11 Three bushels Spring wheat sowed. The seed was sent us as a present from Illinois

" 15 Got the Factory tail race dug across the road & throwed a bridge over it.

" 18 Finished diging the wheel pit, raised the forebay timbers & put in the apron

" 20 Tremendous Rain, and one of the highest kind of floods – Much damage done to our new tail race, by the caving in of large bodies of dirt. The temporary bridge we made over it fell in & we had to remove it and get longer strong pieces to span the chasm.

Feb. 21 With great labor we got the caved dirt thrown out so as to drain the wheel pit.

" 22 Another great rain & high flood so as to stop the sawmill with backwater. We had hired a stone mason, but the rain and constant caving in of dirt prevent his working and he went home a day or two ago.

" 23 Our mason came again to day and we at last got the wheel pit thoroughly walled.
David went to Dayton to day and drawed home ow iron shafting, 1055 lbs. Cost $77.25.

" 24 Bro Richard finished semicircular center 11 feet long for arch aqueduct of tail race which has to be carried under the road, and the arching was commenced at the wheel pit.
The shaft of the water wheel was hung in its place and the master cast iron cog wheel put on.

" 26 Still another great rain and higher flood than either of the preceding two. The caving in was so great that our second bridge went down and we had to get still longer sleepers & build a third. Such high floods have rarely ever been known on the creek.

" 27 Hands to again throwing out the mud & dirt out of tail race and proceeding with stone aqueduct

April 7 Ministry here, and left next day

" 8 David & Richard finished hanging the main line of shafting in the factory

" 10 Began to set out a new orchard between our center house and the Dayton road, to contain trees.

" 12 Our water wheel, forebay & gearing all finished the main driving belt put on the shaft, the water put on the wheel and all went off splendidly

" 13 Finish our stone aqueduct for tail race at last It is 152 feet long & covered all the way, and is som 8 or 10 feet below ground where it crosses the road. Paid the mason $26 for his work and the job is well done.

April 17. H. L. Eades, Philip Antes, O. C. Hampton & J. McQuead here from U. V. and returned on the 20th.

" 27 Got all the counter shafts hung in the factory and started the Picker and both new carding mach's.

" 29 Started the spinning jack. Every thing being new we have considerable cutting & trying.

James Reed a youth slipped of Yesbiday

May 1 Henry smith, a boy, absconded

" 4 Finished planting corn

" 5 Samuel Gardener off clandestinely

" 6 David an Richard went to Dayton and paid up for woolen machinery $405. 64

" 15 Henry & Hanson Eessles went to their Mother in Dayton

" 22 Hired Bela Graves for 1 year to superintend our Factory

" 24 The water found a hole at the forebay of the sawmill and drained the pond, washing out many cart loads of dirt and undermining one corner of the sawmill This took place last evening about 9 o'clock & it being discovered, Br Richard gathered four other hands and threw a dam across the race between the saw mill & factory & stopped the passage of the water, which took us till about 1 o'clock at night. This morning our dam was full of water but soon after breakfast it broke through our night built dam and drained the pond a 2nd time taking a way a great quantity more dirt. We then throwed a 2nd dam across below the first, and succeeded in securing the water till we securely mended up the breach.

" 26 Thomas Johnson here from U. V. and took Jane, & Peggy Patterson & Betsy Milligan to Dayton and took their depositions in the Worley law suit case.

" 30 Br Richard has been making a spooling machine for stocking yarn and warping, which he finished to day

June 3 Went to Dayton and bought a new Satinnett Power loom for 95 dollars and brought it home and set up in west end of the Factory — Ann Parker absconded

" 5 Richard went to Dayton and bought 2037 wool

June 5 unwashed, at 12 cents per lb $243. 24. Paid cash sacked and brought it home.

" 10 Br Richard Finished a factory reel, a long cut reel to reel 20 skeins at once.

" 12 Started the Satinnette power loom & it works well. We are now suffering with drouth.

" 14 Br Richard went to U.V. and returned on the 15 by way of Springboro, where he bought a beam of cotton warp 640 Yds 5½ for the satinnette loom

" 16 We bought 107 sheep & paid woolen goods

" 20 Ministry arrived here about 10 o'clock A.M. and soon after James Ball and John Babbit with 2 cw.ts of wool to be spun & manufactured

" 22 E. John left for North Union, the rest of the Ministry continue with us. Brethren James Ball and John Babbitt returned home.

" 24 Remaining Ministry, returned home to day.

" 27 Brother Richard went to Dayton and brought home broad Power loom for weaving blankets, also 1170 lb. wool bought at 12 cents per lb. Loom cost $130 & wool $140.40, total 300. 40. Paid cash.

July 1 Br Richard fixed beaming establishment for broad loom to work by water power and beamed a piece of 60 Yds 111 wide. It worked handsomely.

" 3 Got the 4 broad loom to weaving - It works splendidly.

" 4 Br Lewis V came about noon, and returned home next day taking Bela Graves with him to U. V. to help them put their carding machines in order.

" 17 Br Richard finished fixing wide tenter bars, sufficient for 25 Yds Blanketing. Also made a wide Nelly to nap them on.

" 21 To day the water failed for the first time so as to stop the factory by 1/2 past 4 P.M.

" 26 To day Br Richard went to Troy; about noon they were stopped for sometime with a very heavy rain within 5 miles of Troy. There was but a mere sprinkle at

July 26 Watervliet, tho we are suffering with drouth. Sidney Dye was taken to her place near Troy and left there to ajust her temporal affairs, Br Richard arrived at home 10 minutes before 8 P.M, having traveled 55 miles and done considerable business.

" 31 Hired a man by the name of James Winnings to work in the fulling shop.

Aug 1 We are now suffering greatly with drouth and have been since May 25 more than 2 months in which time the ground has not been once thoroughly wet.

James Ball arrived here from U.V. with 500 lb. of wool for us to manufacture.

" 3 Br Richard this day finish the brickwork of a dry house which he had been working at for some time. Then went to Dayton with an ox team, David and others in company and bought a shearing machine and Napper, and 12,000 shingles to new roof the factory. Brought all home. Whole cost $230. cash.

James ball having got about 66 lb rolls carded started home at 9 A.M.

" 4 Started the new shearing machine and sheared two pieces of cloth. It does its work perfectly.

" " Br Richard got the Governor fixed and started to regulate the motion of the water wheel and machinery.

" 7 David finished Roofing the dry house

" 11 Finished shingling our factory roof. done it in two days

" 19 Stephen Easton here from U.V. returned 20th

" 23 Visitors here from S. Union, namely, Robt. Johns Jesse Rankin, Tinsy Dillon & Phanny Lacy. They left on the 25th.

" 27 Hyram Young, Suel Thayer, Rhoda Watson and Adaline Russell, arrived here on a visit from North Union, and left on the 30th

Sept 5 Br Richard finished his warping mill and Dresser which he has been working at for some time, got them to run nicely They are drove by a belt from the counter shaft in the lower story of the factory.

" 11 The fixments for hanging and driving by power the loom beams were this day ~~warped & beamed~~ finished, and a piece of 165 yds was warped & beamed by water power. All worked splendidly This day came four visitors from U.V. namely Timothy Bonnel, Martin Babbitt, Ann Parkinson and Julia Darrow. They are on their way to visit N. Union, and started their way on the 12th.

" 14 Warped & Beamed a 160 yd piece on new warping mill and it works well.

" 23 A Severe frost and Ice!

" 29 We disposed of our last swine, and are now we hope forever done with the "unclean beast".

" 30 Jacob Brainard, a man with a wooden leg received into membership.

Thames Johnson came in the evening and returned Oct 1st

Oct 7 Finished sowing wheat — 40 acres

" 11 Levi McNemar came as an escort to P. Hill visitors namely, E. Br. Joel Shields & Henry Daily. E. Sister Sophia Voris & Elenor Halfield. They left 13th inst

" 14 Br Richard went to Troy by way of Sheets' mill sold 90 cuts yarn, done business with Sheets, called at Dayton on his way home and got our papers having traveled 54 miles & got home by supper time.

" 16 E. Br. James went to U.V. and returned 17th.

" 23 Patrick De Drew joined

Nov 8th Br Richard went to Dayton, bought & brought home a new Picking machine, the old one being about worn out. New Picker cost $50.

" 9 New Picking machine set up and started. Ground covered with Snow!

Nov. 16 Br Lewis here from U.V.

" 17 Br Richard went to Dayton with Br Lewis, and sold 120 cuts yarn & 1 Pair Blankets and bought 100lb Carpet yarn for Br Lewis

Dec 4 Started both the sawmill & fulling mill.

" 7 Rain and a smart fresh the first we have had since the 25th of May!

" " Ministry came in the evening, except Lewis Valentine who, we are informed, is released from his lot in Hot order, an account of bodily infirmity.

" 13 Wm Malden aged 45 was taken in on trial

" " Wm. More, Phebe Stewart & Polly Hunt, here on a visit from U.V. Wm. & Polly went home on the 20 & Joshua accompanied them. Phebe stays a while with us.

" 24 "Yearly Sacrafice".

Remarks

" 31 Weather. The year 1848 is closed. Unlike the two former years, tho' there were abundant rains & floods early in spring, the summer & fall have been remarkable for drouth. There was almost unceasing dry weather from the 25 of May to the 7th of December, and our factory business was much retarded for want of water to drive the machinery. Yet the season was one of surpassing beauty, and upon the whole has been fruitful. The wheat and grass crops were good and all got in without having one load wet. The corn and potatoe crops were shortened some by reason of the drouth, yet we shall have enough to supply demands. Gardening has been comparatively easy and we have succeeded in raising good crops of most garden vegetables.

The Factory. In the Summary for the year 1847 it will be remembered that mention was made of moving and fitting up a building for a Woolen Factory This was effected & finished in that year except the plastering over head in the upper story. This plastering was done the present Year, ready to receive the machinery

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The old water wheel was removed, the wheel pit dug deeper and larger; the whole tail race was sunk 20 inches deeper, after taking out the old aqueduct and a good and substantial stone arched aqueduct made 152 feet long. The wheel pit was well secured with a strong stone wall. This on account of the frequent floods & other difficulties which occurred while building was a most laborious job. A new water wheel 8 feet diameter (the old one was 7) and 5 feet wide was put in and about 6 feet of iron shafting with the necessary pulleys were hung.

We bought two new carding machines, a 30 inch breaker and a 24 inch condenser; and a Spinning jack of 120 spindles. These were set up in the 2nd story and started to work by the first of May. The old carding machine & picker, which were in the 2nd story of the old card shop were moved thence & put in with the rest, the card being considerably repaired.

We next purchased 2 power looms, one for satinnette and a broad eleven quarter loom for Blankets. These were set up in the old card room, where we also placed the factory reel which we had built, and there pretty well filled this room with machinery. A Spooler was placed in the other room at the east end of the Jack and this room was well fill up.

In the lower story of the old card shop, used for fulling, we placed the new shearing machine and napper, also a new broad nelly for napping blankets which with the fulling stocks and scouring box, pretty well stocked this room with machinery

We found it very difficult to warp blankets for the broad loom in the ordinary way; and also a laborious job to beam the pieces; we therefore constructed a Dresser, and warping mill, also a figment for beaming. All these were placed in the lower story of the main building and drove by a belt from the counter shaft which propels

the Jack. By this contrivance we can both warp and beam by power, and all is done so perfectly as to weave better without the expense and trouble of sizing, than it would with when warped and beamed the old way; besides being done much speedier & easyer. Such a machine costs at the machine shops about 120 dolars. This completes the enumeration & description of the principle factory improvements, to exhibit the cost of which at one view we make the following arrangement.

Two Carding Machines & Jack cost at the Shop —	$899.40
Iron shafting & pullies 92.25 & Belt leather 18.9 —	111.15
Millwright work. Water wheel, shafts, drums, forebay &c	117.75
Wheelpit & aqueduct, Stone & labor —	100.00
Satinnett Loom $95 Broad loom $130.	225.00
Shearing $130, Nappier $50	180.00
Warping mill $100. Spooler $25	125.00
Steel reeds, geers, Shuttles, bobbins, flyers &c	55.56
Picker	50.00
New roof for factory Shingles, nails & Shingling	75.00
A set of high tenter bars for Blanket	10.00
Wheel house, work and materials	10.00
New waist way, work & materials	15.00
Cost of Machinery & water works —	$1973.86
Bought 3197 lb of wool @ 12	383.64
Total for Machinery & Stock	$2357.50

With respect to the performance of the Factory we cannot state precisely, but the following will be an aproximation.

Cash received for Goods sold —	350.00	
" " " Custom work	400.00	
Goods on hand	450.00	$1200.00

This has been done in 8 months by two brethren and one hired hand, all the time & a second hired hand to the amt of $65.00 in the fulling department. 2 sisters have been employed but the washing and spinning our own family wool will be an offset to that.

The Garden. In the North Garden, 7 rows of new espalies 1550 long in all, were made for the Raspberries. 184 currant bushes were set out in 4 rows. These were red. 144 White ones were set out in South Garden.
The Farm. A new and respectable Post & board fence was made on the west side of the lane from the house to the Dayton road, and other fences righted up and improved in various places. A new orchard was set out west of the new lane fence, extending to the Dayton road North, containing trees.
A new hen house 12 by 24 feet 2 stories & 2 floors well shingled & weather boarded.
A new Bull stable, frame & weather boarded with a substantial floor & manger
A new Back house 7 by 16 divided into two apartments, handsomely sealed with poplar and underpinned with stone
A new yard fence in rear post & board.
An addition to boys house on the south end, 17 feet by 24 one story — lath & plastered inside; pebble-dashed out side
Large portions of the wood house building (2 stories) and of the girls house, have been repleastered and pebbledashed.
Sawmill. This was overhauled. The wheel (an overshot) was entirely stripped and new soled & bucketed; a new saw hung &c &c. And an entire new fixment for sawing wood was got up. A new buz saw with a new frame & new kind of swinging carriage to apply the wood to the saw, and works well & vastly lessens the danger of cramping & breaking the saw.
Among the farm improvements should have been mentioned a New pump put in our kitchen well on an improved plan, and it is an extraordinary good one.
Also the Bake house which was left unfinished till this year. The lathing and plastering of all three rooms has been done; floor laid, & doors made & hung

and the building handsomely finished.
In addition to this the purchase of 107 sheep which are added to our former flock, should be recorde as belonging to our Farm improvements.
The thorough repairing of our head dam, belongs to both the Sawmill and Factory; as does also the clearing out of the Tale race with oxen & scraper, sink it some 17 inches. These two jobs cannot be estimated at less than $100.
Among the Farm improvements must also be mentioned the New Brick Dry house for dry in fruit. An iron boiler 10 feet long was procured at a cost of $25. as a means of heating it. A new set of baskets was made, and the whole cannot be estimated at less than $100. It opperates exceeding well and 64 barrels of fruit worth some $400 were dryed in it in the fall.
Ingathering. There have been seven gathered within the year, all adults, 2 of of whom withdrew before the close of the year. Seven others have withdrawn, three of whom were boys. So that we have two members less, and one adult more than at the beginning of the year.

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Jan. 2 Samuel Gardener, a very bad & troublesome boy this day absconded.

" 7 The sisterhood so generally affected with bad colds that not one was able to sing in one oclock meeting to day Matilda is quite unwell

" 13 Br. Richard went to Dayton, purchased and brought home a new turning lathe, which will turn either wood or Iron. It is placed in the Factory & drove by power.

" 17 Richard Bartly and wife received on trial.

" 24 Br. Richard Went to Dayton to meet Judge Dunlavy of Lebanon by preapointment to transact some business in relation to the collection of a legacy

" 31 Br Richard fixed up and started a grindstone to go by water power in the factory.

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Feb 8 Br Richard went to U.V. by way of Lebanon where he received $232 deposited with R. Brake by Dunlavy, being a further portion of the legacy of Rachel & Maryann Duffy.
" 22 E. John arrived from U.V. & returned 23rd.
March 5 The shrill and terible cry of fire! was sounded through our dwelling last night at 11 o'clock The fruit Dryhouse had taken fire, it being set up to season some pine lumber. The fire was extinguished without much damage to the building or lumber
" 10 Mariah Turbyfill, wife of John left for Dayton
" 13 Abner Beedell here from U.V.
" 19 C. D. Hampton, Aug. Tibergien & Nancy Mc Nemar here
" 24 Started the new Napper built by Br Richard wide enough for working blankets
" 28 Br. Richard Started for Cincinnati to get a new cook stove, and returned on the 31st. The stove cost 105 dollars for which cash was paid
" 29 Henry Reed, a good young brother about 21 years of age died with consumption.

April 3 E. Br James Darrow went to U.V.
" 10 A heavy Rain & highest freshet of the season.
" " Rich. Bartlet moved himself & wife back to Dayton
" 12 Joseph Wager joined
" 19 Snow, ground white! and ice ¼ inch thick
" 25 David E. brought home new copper Dye kettle cost $31.32 & steel heddles for both our power looms which cost $20.60.
" 30 Ministry here, and stayed till the 6th of May.

May 1 Took down our 120 spindle Jack, having sold it to Silliman — loaded on a waggon ready to start for Dayton
" 2 Went to Dayton and got our New 200 spindle Jack and brought it home and set it up. It cost

$425.00 — 2.12½ per spindle

May 5 Got the new jack started and it is a splendid machine.

" 9 John McClean of S.U. here after his woolen machinery, to wit, a Dresser, Spooler, Napper & Condenser, all which were made here in our Woolen Factory, and the Spinning which was made for us in Dayton. Moses Eastwood came with Br John McLean. Having got all the machinery boxed & sent to Dayton & shipped on the Canal for Cin., the two brethren Moses & John departed for U.V on the 12 inst.

" 16 Finished shearing our sheep — 330, and had 1414 lbs of wool in the dirt

" 18 Laid out the site & fixe stone pillars for a dye house and raised the frame on the 19th and finished shingling it on the 21

" 23 A. H. Dunlavy paid us a visit, and paid up the last enstalment of the legacy of Rachel & Maryanne having received in all $1897. when they should have received some 8 or 10 thousand. The rest was frittered away away by lawyers. They however received 2 slaves which they liberated and which were valued at over $1000 in Georgia, making, say $3000.

" 26 We concluded to rebuild our Grist mill. The basement story was well built with stone and suffered but little damage from the fire when the mill was burnt. This day we began the frame to set on the same old basement story.

" 29 David bought 12000 shingles to cover Wagon shed.

" 30 Brethren commenced shingling the Wagon shed.

June 4 Our visiter Eli Goodale went on his way. He is Millerite and has some notion of joining, since Miller's prophecy of the Earth being burnt up has failed. If He and the rest will go to work and condemn their earthly sensual and devilish natures, all will then be well.

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June 14 Great Rain and flood which releives us from a severe drouth, by which corn & other spring crops were beginning to suffer.

" 18 Ministry of U.V here, with the N. Union Ministry and D. Serring. The left on the 21.

" 20 Raised the frame of our Gristmill

" 25 There were picked from our two gardens on this day 74 Gallons (over 9 bushels) of the Perpetual bearing Raspberries. and in the whole season 35 bushels

" 27 Began wheat wheat harvest, and find it badly injured with the rust.

" 28 Finished shingleing the Mill house.

July 2 N. Union Visiters return from U.V and the U.V. Ministry came with them.

" 6 Benjamin Shannon came from N. Union to drive some stock home presented to them from U.V, namely 3 cows and a calf. He also took our Old bull Major. He all started for home to day.

" 10 Great Rain, and the highest flood on our creek ever known by the "oldest inhabitant." All the ground about the factory was under water; which cam near the top of the first step at the factory door. The water extended from near the sawmill, east to the county line in one unbroken sheet & had the appearance of a large river, between 1/4 & 1/2 mile wide! All the fences on the creek were swept clean away, and great damage was done to the meadows which were not yet mowed. The factory and sawmill were stopped all day with back water.

" 14 Br Richard commenced setting the dye Kettle and 2 other Kettles in one furnace in the dye house

" 15 Had no meeting, feeling it our duty to save our wheat which was in danger of being ruined by the excessive rains. Drawed in 15 loads and finished on monday 16th.

" 19 Br. Richard Tipped out his chimney to the dye house furnace, and began making a factory cistern

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July 21 Wm McCollister joined.

" 24 Put in jump logs, penstocks & set rinse box to conduct water from factory forebay to our dye house kettles — Completed the job, filled the kettles and all works fine.

Aug 1 A woman from Cin. came to join. She seems deranged

3 The relatives of a girl calling herself Maria Jackson, who came here yesterday alone, followed her and came to day and took off by violence as she refused to go the struck and abuse her. No one interfered as she was under age — say 16.

4 Br Richard went to U.V. and stayed over Sabath and returned on the 7th with wool.

" 6 This day the Cincinnati woman who came on the 1st inst was suddenly and unexpectedly taken with the pains of parturition! The sisters were much frightened and thought she was siezed with the Cholera! Good old Sister Nelly understood the gammut, and by due assistance the said woman was delivered of a child! It is illegitimate of course.

" 15 Joseph Agnew & John Wood of White Water here, the latter is a weaver and is to stay with us a while to weave.

" 17 Br Richard went to U.V. by way of Lebanon where he bought & sacked 470 ℔ wool and returned the 18th.

" 20 Joseph Agnew left for home. Robert Moore joined.

" 21 Betsy Milligan deceased 2 o'clock A.M. an aged and very worth sister.

" 30 We this day commenced framing an addition to the fulling shop 30 by 12 feet so as to fill it out flush on the south side with the other building.

Sept 4 Jacob Brainard the wooden legged man left.

" 6 Br Richard finished a hand loom for John Words.

" 8 Joseph Wager off — He proved to be an old turn off from Busro!

" 10 Samuel Starkey joined

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Sept. 21 Br. Richard started on a peddling trip with flannel Blankets and stocking yarn, was gone 9 day peddled 8 days & arrived home on the 29th having sold to the amount of $307.39.
As we have been long suffering with severe drouth we this evening in meeting all prayed to our Heavenly Father for rain, and when we went out after meeting, rain had just commenced falling This continued moderately throug the night and we had showers the two succeeding days, so that the earth was well watered & blessed.

Oct 2 Br. Richard went another short peddling trip and returned on the 4th with 430 lbs of wool
" 8 Ministry came in the evening.
" 11 Br Richard started on another peddling trip was gone 9 days & sold $289.50 worth,
" 25 Elder John came and brought us a load of potatoes from U.V. as a present, & returned next day.
" 31 Wm. Abel Joined!

Nov 7 Br Richard and John T. Started on the third regular peddling trip, were gone 10 days and sold $336.71 worth
" 17 The Horses runaway with the wagon & four boys in it. Hamilton Clayter pitch from the wagon and the wheel ran over his leg and broke it. Thomas and Brother Richard set the leg and it done well Two of the other boys were bruised some and the 4th escaped without the least injury.
" 23 William Malden who had become quite reprobatish made up his mind to go to the world to day, & while his clothes were being got ready he slipped off clandestinely, but returned again in the evening & complained of being too sick to go, and was allowed to stay all night.
" 24 This morning Wm Malden was found in a dying condition and on examination a large lump of opium was found

Nov 24 in his pocket, when we were satisfied that he had been taking a quantity sufficient to extinguish life. He had went to Dayton the day before & bought enough to answer his purpose and come back determined to die on the ground. And he did expire in a short time after he was discovered.

" 26 Joshua Galloway who has been some time exercising the office of Farm Deacon, was this day released, & went to work in the Factory

" 30 We commenced making a new carding machine, as our old work so poorly we have concluded to make a new one and throw it aside.

Dec 3 Brother Richard finished frame for twisting machine

" 5 Our New Gristmill finished and started. It runs and works well.

Dec 21 Br. Richard went to Union Village — to Lebanon & other places. Bought the running gears for a light peddling waggon and brought them home.

" 31 George Lee left clandestinely

Summary

The year 1849 is closed. The weather upon the whole has not been extraordinary. The winter months at the beginning were rather mild; but the spring was rather more cold and backward than usual. There was some want of rain the last of May and the first of June. After the middle of June the rain commenced, and we had a very wet and tedious harvest. On the 10th of July there was an immense rain, and the water was higher in our Creek than ever known since the country was settled; which is a full half century. All our fences on the creek were swept away and a large quantity of sawed wood, piled near the saw mill, a place suppose perfectly safe, was washed down the stream. Much of our grass was injured by being overflowed and covered with mud.

The Fall, especially the month of November was one of surpassing beauty & mildness. The month of December

has been quite as cold as common, and on the last day the thermometer was below Zero 8°.

The Factory. This has been kept running pretty steady and with tolerable success. The gross income for the year was — $3826.93

Current Expenses for wool & improvements — 2359.93

Leaving a nett income of — $1467.00

Much of the expense has been incurred for improvements of which may be in-numerated the following. Finding our Spinning Jack too small with other defi-cientcies, we sold it and bought one with 200 spindles — 80 additional spindles.

The Cost of New Jack over old one —	$140.00
Old Napper sold & New one made — difference	50.00
New tin Oil can holding 40 gallons	5.00
New Copper Dye Kettle holding 200 gallons	31.32
Steel Heddle for broad and Satinnette looms	20.00
Addition to Dyehouse — setting Kettles & hydrant —	75.00
New Turning lath for wood & iron run by water power	50.00
New Hand loom	25.00
	396.32

Besides these we have expended considerable in making a new carding machine and stocking yarn Twister with 20 spindles, but as they are not quite finished they cannot be recorded in the improvements of the year.

We have manufactured of wool —	5000 lbs
made cloth	769 yds
A Blankets	225
Flannel	591 yd
Stocking yarn	5550 cuts
Fulled and dressed cloth	2719½ yds

The Farm. On the farm there has been but little improvement. The hay crop was rather below medium. The wheat crop almost ruined with rust, and the corn was hardly an average crop. Potatoes ruined with Rot.

The Garden. This was well managed and produced abundantly most of the vegetables for marketing & family use. Large crops of Cabbage, Beets, Parsnips, Beans, Peas & Onions — Abundance of strawberries, Raspberries, Currants, Pieplant & Asparagus. But little, however was made by marketing, as the prevalence of Cholera prevented the sale of vegetables.

Fruit. There was a middling crop of peaches but very few apples.

The Gristmill. The principle improvement of the year consisted in rebuilding and starting our Gristmill. The building is set on the old basement story which was built of stone & not destroyed by the fire. The new fram is substantial, and covered with pine in pannel work, with a good shingled roof. The floor of oak and well laid. The waterwheel is 9 feet diameter & 8 feet buckets, overshot. The running gears are cast iron & there is one run of stone and a crusher to crush corn in the ear. The geering & stones work to perfection. The building is 36 by 40 on the ground, and there is ample power for other purposes besides grinding. There is an extra husk and the geering so constructed as to drive another run of stones if found expedient. The upper dam had to be almost rebuilt — the race cleaned out and the embankment mended at a cost of some 75 dollars.

The next improvement in importance was a new Wagon Shed 54 feet long by 27 wide with a good pine shingle roof and a partition or inclosure at one end for Carriage & farm tools.

The cost of Mill house	550.00
Foundry Bill	218.11
Millwright work	232.00
Dam & Race	75.00
Wagon Shed	200.00
Amt of Factory improvement as above	376.32
Whole amt. of Mill, farm & Factory	[illegible]

Jan. 7 2 boys, Charles Grady & Jame Gardiner, absconded
" 11 A girl named Sarah Bates sent away
" 14 E. John & E. D Hampton here. The 2 boys brought back by their Father. E. John & Co returned on the 15th.
" 21 Joshua Galloway – Sally Martin & Marcia J. Wolcot all decamped together
" 26 We got our New Carding machine finished and started and it works handsomely. We also fixed side drawers to both machines and throwed by our old bat roller. We this a great improvement. This new Machine built in our own shop is worth $350 being a 30 inch machine.
" 28 E. John & Moses Eastwood Came P.M and they began to make a peddling waggon bed for us
" 30 Ezra Sherman from White Water came and returned next day.

Feb. 2 E. John Moses went home
" 5 Br Richard bought a span of Colts, 3 year olds, intending them for Pedling Factory goods.
" 16 Br Richard went to Dayton and paid the foundry bill for gristmill work & $278.00.
" 20 E. John came and brought Moses Eastwood to stay here
" 25 Started our New Twister & it works splendidly

March 6 A great rain and flood nearly equal to that of July 10 of last year. It has been a day of calamity! All the fences on the creek are again swept away; and our flock of yearling lambs, 90 in number being in an inclosure on the creek got surrounded with water, and were all swept away and drowned except 6!; the number drowned being 84!!
" 9 Thomas Williams got his thum caught in the cogwork of the sawmill and badly mashed
" 13 Charles D. H. here from U.V. and left on the 18th.
" 19 Ministry here, and returned on the 23.
" 22 John Woods returned to W. Water.
" 25 Moses Parkhurst & James McNemar here from U.V.

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March 27 Elizabeth Dagget, a widow absconded and left her 4 children
" 30 Wm. McCollister went off, but came back April 6th.

April 6 Robert Turbyfill a very bad boy run off
" 10 Thames here from Union Village, returned on the 12th.
" 13 Thomas Williams & Hamilton Clayton went to U.V.
" 15 Wm. McCollister discovered to be a turnback and impostor, was sent away
" 18 Some 12 or 15 bags fill with oats and 10 bushels of wheat were stolen out our granery last night. David found where the wheat and oats had been sold in Dayton but did not find the thief.
" 19 David found out to day that the above named McCollister had stolen the grain and set the sheriff after him but he made his escape.
" 20 Br Richard went to Dayton to day, consulted the states atorney about the stolen articles — Demanded and obtained pay for the wheat and oats from the men that bought them — and recovered 14 bags.
" 21 Mild weather! Up to this day April has been extremely cold every day, almost equal to the rigors of winter! Vegetation is decidedly more backward than for many years It is now more than one month since Peas were sowed and there is yet no signs of vegetation.
" 23 Word was received from Dayton that McCollister had been taken and loged in jail, and David notified to appear against him. But lo! when David reached Dayton this morning McCollister had been found dead in prison this morning! He will now stand his trial at a higher tribunal than Dayton Court, and we are delivered from future dread of him.
" 24 Br. Richard has now to attend to the Farm deaconing besides his gardening and other burthens. He started 4 plows this morning to plow for corn
" 27 Began to plant corn
" 30 Andrew Dudgeon Joined
May 1st George Reinhart "
" 2 Polly Ball absconded

May 13 Br Richard Went to U. Village, and returned on the 15th bringing Matthew Houston & Benjamin Flag for a short visit.

" 24 Br Richard went again to U.V. and took home our visiters, and returned home next day bring some 150lb wool which he bought on the way

" 31 Bought a flock of 204 sheep which we had bought at 50 cents a head for woolen goods.

June 3 Br Richard went to U.V. by way of Franklin and bought 335lb wool & returned on the 5th.

" 14 E. John, the South Union Ministry & Louis Valentine here.

" 11 Br Richard went near Troy after wool returned P.M.

" 13 and went to Springboro on the 13 and brought home 180lb wool same day

" 15 $43.00 Taken in market to day $93.00 this week.

" 19 Our good old Superannuated Br Thomas again takes the burthen of the farm deaconing off of Br Richard who stile has the garden & Factory to see too.

" 23 John Turbyfill here and has settled it to take the work

" 27 Br Richard went to Franklin and bought 1069lb of wool and returned next day.

July 16 Ministry arived P.M.

" 19 Drawed in 14 loads wheat and finished

" 29 Lewis Valentine here from U.V

" 31 Cephas Holloway here " "

Aug 1 Rain! The 2nd shower of any importance, we have had since the 15th of May, 2½ months. The drouth has been exceedingly protracted & distressing. Meadows are unusually light – corn crop almost a failure – potoe quite as even seed will not be raised. The wheat crop is undoubtedly the largest & the best ever raised in the state. and is generall well secured. Our factory is doing but little for want of water.

Aug 3 Finished Mowing
" 7 Three brethren here from U.V. Clark Valentine. Wm. Reynolds & Thomas Tilefro. They went home on the 9th.
" 10 Move a building from the boys Yard to the factory for a bleaching house.
" 19 Robt. Moore taken in again on trial
" 25 A hopeful Candidate by the name of John Griffith a first rate finisher & dyer who came on the 20, arose this morning in usual health, ate his breakfast and to Bela's; and while there sitting and talking with Bela was suddenly taken with spasms and fell from his chair, rolling & squirming in great agony. He recovered so as to be able to speak and made great efforts to vomit. A cold clammy sweat pervaded his whole system — he could not swallow the least thing — and in less than an hour he expired! It was undoubtedly a case of Cholera.
" 27 H. L. Eades here from U.V. & returned home nex day

Sept. 2 Robt Moore of again, He is a clever man but somewhat deranged
" 3 Br Richard started out on a sort of peddling trip.
" 6 Thomas Williams Went to U.V. to get our Gaudaloup Buck
" 7 Br Richard and Thomas both got home to day. We began to day to remodelle our saw mill, intending to put in a new cast iron wheel called the Parker Wheel.
" 12 Brother Richard started another peddling trip, and returned on the 21st P.M having been gone nearly 10 days.— Sold to the amt. of $239.34 Cash.

Oct 1st Br. Richard started on another peddling trip, went to Cin. & attended the fair — entered some flannel and took a premium of $5.00 for the best piece. Sold out his load and got home on the 8th having taken $201.40 cash.
" 10 Baldwin Adams — a hard case — joined
" 14 Elder John Cane from U.V. with David Parker and Caleb M. Dyer, two deacon brethren from N. Hamshire
" 15 David & Bela started on a peddling trip.

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Oct 15 Abner Beedle. C.D. Hampton & Sanford here from U.V.

" 17 Br. Richard went to Union Village and took Sanford Russell home, and returned with him next day to stay a while and work in our factory

" 23 A load of Visiters from Second Family U.V. came namely, Isaac Newton, Jane Ditto, Nancy Slater Hopeful. Gee & Nancy Abel. They went home 25th

" 26 Jane White a crippled boy & orphan taken in.

" 27 John Sullivan was taken in to membership.

" 28 Harmon Cornelius, a German was taken in.

" 30 Br Richard started on another pedling trip and went by the way of U.V. taking Sanford Russell home He also went to White Water and arive home Nov. 5th being 7 days & sold $180.00 worth for cash

Nov 7 Moses Eastwood with 3 sisters went to U.V. on a visit

" " Wm Gardener a small boy eloped.

" 12 Moses and company returned home

" 13 Ephraim Frost came from W. Water. David & Bela got home from their pedling trip having been gone 4 weeks & 2 days. Sold $121.79 cost worth. expens $37.25

" 19 Br Richard went to Dayton and got weather boards to recover the Office building. Started a boring machine attached to our breaker and it works right, knocking out every bur – cost $100.

" 22 Br Richard went to Dayton and sold $80. worth of woolen goods.

" 23 David went to I'a on the 18th and got home to day with 230lb. wool.

" 25 Began Shingle and weather board the office.

" 28 New Saw mill started and it works splendidly.

" " David went to U.V. and returned on the 30th.

Dec. 9 Clark Valuntine came from U.V. to help and instruct us to pack our beef. He got through and Moses took him home on the 13 inst. Moses came home next day

Dec 25 Wm. Smith & Robins Vandebelt, both made an attempt at confession.

Summary

The year 1850 is ended, and with it the first half of the 19th century. The winter in the first part of the year was favorable to the wheat crop, as was also the spring and summer. The spring was unusually cool and backward, the most so of any that has occured for the last 30 years. Peas sown the 22nd of March were not up on the 22 of April, the latter month exhibiting almost the rigors of winter. The drouth through the whole season was almost as extraordinary as the cold. This, as well as the cold was favorable to the wheat crop, which otherwise was so heavy it would have fallen to the ground. As the season was the crop was as heavy as could stand, and much of it lodged so that it could not be cradled. The weather for harvesting was exceeding fine and favorable, and a heavier crop of wheat was secured throughout the country than was ever befor produced.

The contrary of this was the case with the hay, the corn and the potatoe crop. All these were short, and in most cases entire failures. So much for the season & for farming.

The Garden. To the crops were short, the marke value of Garden vegetables & fruits was correspondingly raised; and we consequently realized about as much profit from that branch of labor as in former seasons.

The Factory. Having furnished ourselves during the winter with a new carding machine, one stocking-yarn Twister we were in a better condition than ever for successful manufacturing and we commenced the season with the expectation of performing a greater amount of business than in any preceding year. But our hopes have not been realized. Two unforeseen & uncontrolable cause have prevented. First an unprecedented demand, and consequent great rise in the price of wool, which redered it impossible to obtain stock enough for the years consumption. Second: the

extreme drouth of the season, which crippled the opperations of the factory, not having water to run more than half the time.

Changes Some important changes have taken place in the year. The Elder Brother James Darrow was removed to Union Village on March 26th. and Richard W. Pelham succeeded to his office & title. Moses Eastwood, who had been moved here from U.V. in February, now stepped into the place which Br Richard had formerly occupied. Archibald Fountain who had been appointed deacon on the farm last year by James Darrow, was found altogether incompetant, and was therefore removed and Thomas W. took his place. John Reed was removed from living with the boys and Thomas took his place, still retaining his deaconship.

Ingathering. Several members mostly adults have been gathered in the course of the year, namely

1	George Reinhart	Pensylvania Dutch,	aged	62
2	Harman Cornelius	from Germania	"	43
3	Baldwin Adams	New York farmer	"	60
4	John Sullivan	From Ireland. Weaver & Dyer		
5	Jame White	A boy	"	15
6	Wm Smith	Ironturner	"	23
7	Robins Vandebelt	A New Jersey farmer	"	30
8	Henry Murry	English flaxspinner	"	29
9	Ann Prosser.	Wife	"	30

This makes quite an addition to our little force; and our table is now filled out with grown brethren, which has not been the case for some years.

Income of the Factory. The fiscal year of the factory, begins and ends on May 10th., that being the time of it beginning

On the 10 May, current year Amt. of sales —	3060.39
Amt of expenditures & improvements	1965.93
Nett Cash income	$1094.46

Improvements of Factory

Sidedrawings affixed to two machines	$40.00
New carding machine	350.00
Burring Machine	110.00
Stocking yarn twister	100.00
Bobbins 2500	25.00
	625.00

As these are permanent improvements and current expenses the amt. must be added to the cash income to show the nett proceeds for the year. Cash recm. 1094.46

Amt of Year's nett income $1729.46

Other improvements. The principle improvements besides the above are First the Sawmill, the works of which have been made entirely new. and on a new principle. The whole cost of this is 300.00

2nd The removal and fixment of the woodsaw 50.00

3rd Bolt for Buckwheat in Gristmill 25.00 = $375.00

Add Factory improvement above 625.00

Total improvement for the year $1000.00

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Jan. 2 E. John, P. Boyd & C. D. Hampton here, and the two former went home on the fourth and left Charles to teach school.

" 7 A lad by the name of James Mitchel taken in.

" 16 E. Br. Richard went to Union village & returned next day

" 22 D. Eastwood to Union Village, and came home 23.

" 28 Jame Mc Nemar here from U.V. & returned next day

Feb 10 A smart flood, the highest since last March.

" 18 Abner Bedell of U.V. & Elisha Russell of N. Union came this evening.

" 24 E. Br. Richard Started to North Union With Elisha R. intending to go all the way from Xenia by RR — as the first passenger train is to start thro' from Columbus to Cleveland on the New RR, on the 25th, that is to morrow.

" 28 Wm. Smith & the lad James Mitchel gone

1851

March 8 E. Br Richard arrived home from N. Union, having been gone near two weeks.

" 13 Gardening commenced, and the plow started.

" 27 E. Br. R. went to Union N. & returned next day

" 30 Hamilton Clayter, a boy, absconded.

April 1 Robt. Moore & Robt. Vanderbelt off. (April fools)

" 3 Abram Ward joined. David, Jane & Phebe J. Tucker

" " and Frances Aspinall went to U.N on a visit, and came home on the 7th bringing Abner Bedell to stay a while with us.

" 8 Baldwin Adams off. He has been a hard drinker & got dry!

" 14 James Greenwood joined, He is a carder & spinner.

" 21 Oretta Grady off — a bad girl.

" 22 John Norton arrived from North Union, to stay a while

" 23 Settle with Bela Graves, a very clever man whom we have had hired for 3 years to superintend our factory. We think we now understand the business well enough to carry it on without any more hiring.

" 29 Began to market Asparagus. Unusually early.

May 1 Up to this day our spring weather has been fine & forward — uncommonly so — but this is the coldest & most terrible 1st day of May I ever remember to have seen! The wind has been high and changeable, but keen and cold whatever quarter it came from. We have had two smart showers of snow during the day Thermometer 42° sunrise 44 at N. 34° at night.

" 2 Thermometer 28°!. Ice ¼ inch thick. Peaches, Pears cherries killed — first setting of strawberries, badly bit. early Peas — frozen so as to wilt and lop.

" 5 & 6 Thermometer 32°. consequently a freeze both mornings.

" 12 Abram Ware off

" 17 Henry Bear of Whitewater here, intending to stay over sabbath

" 19 Moses Miller, Augustus Tibberghien & Jethro Boyd here.

Ann Prosser off

1851

May 27 Joseph Eastwood from 2d Family U.V. here

" 28 Picked Peas for Market!

" 30 Abner Bedell came home from Cin. by way of U.V. and brought Samuel Tuttle with him, to cut out a set of coats for our brethren

June 12 John Reece off. 48½ Gallons strawberries picked on th. 7th!

" 13 Strawberry time is about over, and there have been 55 1/16 bushels picked and measured besides what have been used without measuring.

" 14 Abner, took Samuel Tuttle home and Henry Gross went along for a ride and visit. They returned 17th.

" 17 Joseph Agnew here from Whitewater with wool to card.

" 19 Thomas Ater, a boy, taken away

" 21 E. Br Richard finished sorting our own crop of wool and we had 185 3/4 lb. unwashed

" 23 Abner and Harman went to U.V.

July 4 Stephen Easton, Betsy, Lucy & A here from Second Family U.V. on a visit

" 27 David went to U.V. John Norton to get his eyes doctored he having been laid up more than two weeks. David returned on the 28 and left John.

Aug. 2 Matthew Carter here from Whitewater with more wool to be carded.

" 7 David sick and C. D. Hampton here to doctor him. Charles returned home on the 14 and took Abner with to remain

" 19 Ministry here, and returned home on the 23

" 23 E. Br. Richard & Thomas went to Dayton and bought a new grain Drill & brought home. Also got nails and shingles to cover West barn. Drill cost $80.

" 27 John Philips here from U.V. Soon after came Stephen Easton and soon after came Wm Redmon with 4 sisters to visit.

" 28 Stephen and John Philips left to day.

Aug. 29 E. Br. R. went to Dayton with the visiters and the returned home on the 30th.

" 30 John Babbit & Jane Ball, Came came from U.V. & returned 2nd prox.

Sept. 1 Bargained with two men to ditch our prairie 166 rods long 6 feet wide & 4 feet deep

" 2 John Babbit & J. Ball went home & Lewis arrived! So we have not been one day for the last week with some of our dear Union V. Friends as visiters

" 4 Ithamer Johnson came from U.V.

" 5 Ithamer and Lewis went home and Stephen Easton and E. Br. Aaron arrived! 13 Persons here from U.V. in the last 10 days.

" 6 E. Br. A. & Stephen went home, and we have had the pleasure of the good company of some one or more of U.V. freinds every day for the last 11 days.

" 10 Finished putting a new roof on West barn cost $40.

" 11 Archibald Fountain Henry Gross & 2 sisters went to White Water on a visit. They are instructed to go to U.V. the first day (Thursday) thence to W.W next day, & stay there till Tuesday Morning — come to U.V. on that day & home on Wednesday. 17th.

" 15 John Lennon joined

" 20 Our White Water visiters home having overstayed their time 3 days! Instead of starting home as instructed on Tuesday they went off in the opposite direction to the North Bend, hoping to get a peep at a steam boat!! Returned again to White W. Came to U.V. next day, and staid there 2 days instead of one as directed, and wanted to stay over sabath, 2 day longer, but the Ministry choked them off and sent them home. Thus they staid 3 days over their time and would have staid 3 more if suffered! Let their deeds be remembered!

" 27 A thief or thieves, broke into our office, in time of family meeting, pryed open the desk lid, and took all the money the could find, which fortunately was but a few dollars. The lamp had been lighted

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Sept 27 and was left burning & the thieves gone when the office brethren went from meeting. They entered the office by shoving up the back window and retreated the same way leaving the window up.

" 30 The Thermometer has range 60° degrees in this month — from 96° down to 36° !

Oct 3 Stephen Easton & 2 sisters here from U.V. — returned 4th.

" 6 A load of visiters from W.W. arrived and Thamer Johnson & Rachel Galloway from U.V. accompanied them. Thamer left on the 7th.

" 7 Began to dig a Cistern at the factory

" 9 This day our visiters started home by way of U.V. and Br Moses, Thomas & Matild and Peggy ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~. Started on a visit to North Union. They all returned safe on the 18th inst — Spent $44.56.

" 23 Ice! and Ice again at 24th.

" 25 Seven Visiters from U.V. arrived. Daniel Miller and 6 Sisters —. John Reed off to the work again. Our visitors went home on the 27th.

Nov. 10 Twelve inches of Snow!

" 25 Dogs killed and wounded 15 of our spring lambs

" 28 Dogs killed 13 of our ewe sheep, thus we have lost 28 of our sheep by dogs this week! In this last case we pursued the dogs and overtook and shot 2 dogs & a bitch.

Dec 2 Jethro Boyd came to day and went home on the 3rd.

" 11 Susan Rudd with her little daughter was received.

" 20 Charles Jebsen, an iron turner & finisher joined.

" 30 A heavy rain with lightening & thunder, a smart fresh Factory & saw mill running, and wastegate up full head.

Summary

So closes the year 1851. The winter in first part of the year was unusually mild. The spring ~~[illegible]~~ of

Summer were fine and very favorable for farming, gardening and vegetation generally. The latter part of summer, the whole of autumn and most of the month of December was a time of unparalleled drouth. As the former season had been very dry, the winter uncommonly so, and the spring rains only just sufficient for vegetation, without thoroughly soaking the ground so as to reach & affect the springs. The drouth therefore affected the springs streams & wells to a greater degree than has happened for many years. Our factory opperations were crippled all the season and finally arrested altogether. We first had to run only little more than half the day — then every alternate day then the ½ of every other day, and finally stopped altogether. But as we had no hired hands, we were not greatly disconcerted, and if it had not been for some custom work which we had undertaken we should have felt but little burden about it. So, notwithstanding our factory opperations have been greatly retarded by the drouth and the continued high price of wool, we have made some profit and our books show a greater amt. of sales than at the same period last year. Our expenses will be less than any former year, as we have got along mostly without hired help.

The Farm. The drouth did not set in early enough to materially injure any of the crops. Wheat, Corn, Rye Oats & Potatoes were unusually good. Our corn crop in particular was the best we have raised for some years. We had 1720 bushels. The fall was cool the frost early. The forepart of December very mild, but on the 13th winter set in in earnest, and from that to the 26th inclusive was as cold a fortnight as was ever known in this climate. The thermometer was 10° below zero, and there were but two days in the time when the mercury rose above freezing point.

Tho as has been stated, all our farm crops were good, yet the wheat crop is not as good as last year when it amounted to 1500 bushels. The present years crop

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has not been threshed and the quantity cannot be stated. We raise of Corn — 1720 @ 25 — $420.00
" Oats 700 " " 175.00
" Flax seed 140 @ 90 126.00
" Buckwheat 66. " 40 26.40
" Potatoes 400. " 25 100.00
847.40

The flaxseed and Oats were raised on a summer fallow (which was afterwards sowed to wheat) and was almost a clear gain crop worth over $300.

Garden. The crop of most garden vegetables were abundant We picked 55 bushels of strawberries. Every thing in short was luxurient except the cabbage and turnip crops which were a little shortened with the drouth.

Improvements. No new machinery has been added to the this year, but there has been an addition to the building of 10 by 30 feet; handsomely weatherboarded with planed poplar boards & painted white. Two stories, 3 floors and roof — worth say $100.00
A new roof on one side of West Barn 40.00
Cowbarn covered with pine & new pine cover doors 75.00
New Post and board fence on the road 135 pannels 124.00
A ditch through the praira 166 rods long, 6 ft wide 100.00
Office newly weatherboarded, shingled & painted 100.00
Painting Gristmill 25.00
Painting Waggonshop 25.00
New Grain drill 80.00
New Copper pump for Kitchen 75.00
Iron pump & lead pipe for wash house 20.00
$764.00

There was a neglect to keep precise accounts of the sales of Garden produce but it would be safe to set it down at about 500.00

The sale of our last years wheat sold this year would be 1200.00
It was sold for $1.63. and we sold near 800 bushels $1.20 per

1852

January 19. The coldest day known to the "oldest inhabitant"! The mercury at sunrise was 12° below Zero, at 8 A.M. 8° below at sunset 10° below and at 11 o'clock P.M 21°! below. So that the average from sunrise to 11 P.M was 12.75° Below Zero.

" 20 Mercury 15° Below 0 but moderated by M. to 12° above

" 21 E. John & Thomas here.

" 30 Thermometer up to 57 at M. making a range of 78° degrees in about 10 days! As there was considerable snow on the ground the thaw produces quite a freshet.

Our wheat of last year was finished thrashing & cleaning and we had 1076 bushels.

" 31 Sanford Russell came last night after dark, and went home on the 2nd prox.

Feb. 4 Frederick Pinkert left.

" 5 E. Brother Richard went to Lebanon, Union Village and Franklin and arrived home on the 6

" 12 John Norton went to Union Village and back 14th

March 9th Henry Bear came from W. Water this afternoon for strawberry plants.

" 12 E. Br. Richard concluded to make another Twister for the Factory as one does not keep out of the way of Jack and the other machines; so he went to Dayton to day to get the castings.

" 15 Began gardening.

" 17 Wm. Foreman a scotchman joined.

" 28 Harriet Fleming left.

April 1 David Eastwood went to Union Village & returned on the 8th.

" 9 Finished Moving Boys house out of the garden! and into the House Yard and setting it in suitable place for a dye house. Thus the last remnant of that nuisance is "abated" and that folly of former days which fixed a boy establishment in the middle of a garden! is veiled from sight.

Sanford R. & Wm Redmon here from U.V. & Returned next day.

" 21 Thos. Ann Smith off to the great meeting of the Pures.

1852

April 22 Wm Seager, a boy took the track & had off

" 23 Wm Freeman proved to be a bad man & was purged out.

" 27 Brother Wm. Reynolds here

" 30 A tremendous hail storm, rain, wind Lightning & thunder at 6 o'clock P.M. Hailstones 1 inch in diameter! Over 100 lights of Glass broken out of the windows. This tornado blew down about one fourth of all the fencing on our farm and many trees!

May 1 David went to market the first time this spring. Took Asparagus & Pie plant — sold $23.37 worth.

" 7 Planting corn and trying two different corn drills Br. Wm Reynolds Edwin Burnham, Wm. Jenning & Br. Beaty Came yesterday and left this morning.

" 13 E. Br Richard went to U.V. & returned on the 15th

" 24 Harmon Cornelius, John Lennon & Charles Jebson started for other lodging this morning.

" 30 Abraham Scofield a elder joined.

June 2 Steamer Johnson here from U.V.

" 16 Bought a McCormac Reaper, and it proves perfectly satisfactory as a reaper, but failed as a mower for which it was recommended.

July 6 Br Wm Reynolds Reynolds and 3 sisters here from U.V. and returned home on the eighth.

" 7 E. Br Richard Went to U.V. and returned on the 9th

" 10 Finished Wheat harvest.

" 15 Daniel Brown set out

" 16 Our Factory Cistern finished and a new chain pump fixed in it.

" " Our old friend Bela Graves who worked for us a long in the factory came with all his family; having been frightened by the Cholera, he fled for refuge to the shakers!

August 5 We got a letter from W. Water Village stating the death of Elder Rufus Bishop, first in the Ministry of N. Lebanon was there on a visit, and was to have come home from there if he had lived. But we are forced to believe of being from us

1852

Aug 5 in the tabernacle! He has, with the rest of the Ministry visited all the other societies in the West. Is this privation of our eminence with regard to this place? Time must prove.

" 7 E. Br Richard went to Springboro & bought 1000 lb. of wool.

" 10 The Union Village Ministry, came with the New Lebanon Ministry minus Elder Rufus

" 11 Brethren finished threshing cleaning our wheat and had 700 bushels

" 13 Our visitors all left on this day. We finished mowing Charles Foster joined.

" 21 A heavy shower fell which produced a smart fresh; the first time the ground has been well wet since June 18 over 2 m.

" 24 North Union Ministry arrived here in a carriage 6 days from home. They left for U.V. on the 27th.

" 31 Began to rebuild our Wash house.

" " A load of visitors came from South Union, namely, Eli McClean, Marjory Martin, Mariah Price, Judith Dillon & Keturah Harrison.

Sept. 2 Our Visitors left for Union Village this morning

" 7 Our N. Union friends again called on us on their way from U.V. home - They went on their way next day

" 8 John Norton got home from a peddling trip having sold to the amt of $270.

" 9 John Adam an English aged 54 joined

" 21 A company of visitors from Pleasant Hill a river namely Wm. Runyan, Joel Green, Betsy Hutton & Patsy Gregory. E. John & Joseph Francis escorted them from U.V.

" 27 A company started for Kentucky to visit Pleasant Hill &
" South Union, namely E. Br Richard, E. Sr Eliza, David Eastwood and Elizabeth Simonton. They are to go to U.V and from thence in company with our P. Hill visitors to go on to P. Hill, both companies go in carriages.

Oct 30 Our visitors returned home from Ky having been gone over 4 weeks

" " Abram Scofield & Charles Foster left.

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Nov. 11 E. Br and Thomas Hoare went to Union Village, and returned next day bringing Lewis Valentine.

" 16 Susan Rudd an girl went off, it having been discovered that she was a turnback from Pleasant Hill.

" 24 Martha & Byron Horsford were taken away by their uncle.

" 29 E. John S. Easton & Saml Locy here from U. V.

Dec 2 Our new wash house finished and used for the first time to day

" 5 Prideaux Girty - a decendent of the famous Simon Girty who commanded the Indians at St Clair's defeat, this day united himself to the Shakers

" 7 Daniel Bochman Joined.

" 9 Franky Silence came into meeting this evening as usual - was suddenly taken ill - went out of meeting and expired in 20 minutes!

" 21 Samuel Locy here from U. V.

" 27 Ministry here from U. V. Rain & a great flood

" 30 Ministry went home

Summary

The weather. The year 1852 has been dryer than its two predecessors, and in consequence our factory, has done little less business. The corn crop has been very short throughout the country, and in many instances an entire failure. The wheat and hay & buckwheat crops were good - Potatoe crop poor. The winter in the fore part of the year was uncommonly severe, and probably the coldest ever known in this climate. On the 19th January the Mercury average for the whole 24 hours 12,3° below Zero - & in Dayton it sank to 21° below at 11 o'clock P. M. Tho' we have had three dry seasons, and this the dryest of the three, yet the rains set in earlier in the fall this year than the last. From the first of Nov. we have had plenty of water for the factory, and 3 or 4 high floods. On the 24 Dec. the water came up to the factory; and our head dam was broken, and

and all the racks and logs crossing the creek, and some of the adjacent fences were swept away.
Factory. This has done good business for the last 2 months, running mainly on stocking yarn. One piece of Blankets 128 yds has been spun and is half woven out. The month of December has been uncommonly mild, most of the time above freezing, and the mercury has only once been as low as 16°.
This year, so far as Believers are concerned may be denominated the "Visiting Year".
We have received 2 large visits from from Kentucky Believers of 6 persons each, with several of minor note, from White Water, N. Union and U.V. The two first in the Ministry at N. Lebanon and the two first in the Eldership, these have visited all the societies in the West with the exception that Elder Rufus Bishop died at W. Water before reaching this society.
Improvements. Early in the spring we sold one of the boys house & had it removed from out the Garden and moved the other out ourselves & fitted it up for a dye house, and so cleared the garden of that insufferable nuisance. This building was fitted up with suitable fixtures for blue dying all in good style, and Elizabeth Simonton dyed 700lb wool therein.
An additional improvement was made on the cowbarn — worth $25.
Eight new doors boarded with pine were made and hung on the grain & west barns worth $50.
But the principle improvement of the year is a new wash house. But the principle improvement of the year is a new Wash house. The main building is 45 by 18 feet on the ground, with an offset on the N. West corner 8 by 15 feet for Kettles, and a wheel house attached to the west end 26 by 22 feet. All handsomely weatherboard with planed stuff & painted white.

Summary

The main building is 2 stories high, one room below and 2 above. A graveled roof covers the whole, and the lower floor is made with water cement. The boilers consist of three of Motts Kettles & furnaces and operate well. The wash mill consists of two horizontal cylinders moved back and forth by rack and pinion. There is an iron pump near the Kettles which draws water from the cystern throug a leaden pipe. There is a good sewer made of brick laid in water lime leading from the Kitchen pump through & under the washhouse to bear off both the waste water of the pump, and the suds & slops of the wash house

The cash outlay of building and appurtenances amounted to $318.66 besides the timber and our own labor. The whole may be estimated at $500. to which add ironing stone $20 dollars

We made an addition to our sheep house 40 by 10 feet weatherboard & shingled, worth $50

Improvement on the Gristmill consisting of a new patent bush for bed stone, and a new wood saw, worth $25

A new span of horses worth $210; a new carriage bed and harness worth $50 A new grain reaper $125. a double subsoil plow $20 — At the factory a set of Babbitt metal boxes $15 and a new Twister $85.

To recapitulate

Dye house & fixtures	$175.00
Improvement in cowbarn	25.00
" Ashbarns	50.00
Washhouse	520.00
Addition to sheephouse	50.00
Gristmill improvement	25.00
Carriage and harness	50.00
Horses	210.00
Reaper	125.00
Factory	100.00
Total Improvement	$1230.00

1853

Jan. 3 John Norton, who came to live with us from N. Union, for a time, this day started to return to his former home

" 10 Thomas Hare this day was appointed & installed Farm Deacon, by unanimous consent.

" 14 Alexander, a baby went to the world.

" 15 Ann Leterno went off.

" 21 Prideaux Girty who tended the gristmill was caught in the cogs between the master wheel & trundle head and instantly killed! His body was dreadfully mangled!

" 22 E. B. Richard, Sister Matilda & Margaret, started on a Missionary trip to Mechanicsburg, where we had heard of a circle of Spiritualists. They got back on the 25th.

Feb. 21 Finished threshing and cleaning our crop of flax seed, and had 198 bushels.

March 4th C. D. Hamptton & Edwin Burnham here from U.V. and returned on the 5th.

" 15 Ministry came from U.V.

" 17 Eight visiters here from Mechanicsburg here

" 19 The Ministry and our Eight visiters went to Union Village.

" 25 David Eastwood went to U.V. & returned next day.

" 31 Thomas Williams & David went to Mechanicsburg.

April 2 Thomas & David returned got home bringing with them 4 families — 24 persons in all who have come to stay and 3 other individuals who came to see & enquire

" 12 Elizabeth Brown & her 4 children of the Mechanicsburg flock tiare already & were taken to Dayton.

" 25 E. John & Wm. Redman here & returned next day

May 5 Nehemiah Grummon died suddenly

" 6 Joseph Brown followed his wife & so one family of ten persons is gone

May 9 Sister Matilda went to Union Village with some of our young Believers on a visit, and returned 12th.
" 27 Strawberries Ripe and 2 Gallons picked

June 8 Raised the frame of corn crib 26 by 22 & 12 feet posts
" 9 James Ball here from U.V. & returned the 13th
" 13 C.D. Hampton here, and returned next day taking Alice
" " who had been here some time in care of our boys.
" " Nicholas Babcock and family of the Mechanicsburg draft seceder to day, and we may shortly say exit omnes
" 15 John Babbitt, Isaac Houston & some sisters from 2nd Family here from U.V.
" 23 Thos. Hare went to Union Village
" 25 Wheat harvest finished!

July 11 Finised Haying and began to harvest oats.
" 21 As we were threatened with a lawsuit by William Alexander Hughy to recover a portion of his father's estate, and said suit seemed being delayed till Keziah Hughy should die, she being now about 110 years old, in order to evade her evidence that said William Alexander had already had his full portion; Elder Brother Richard took Keziah to Dayton and had her affidavit taken and entered on the county records. No suit was brought nor threats made after this transaction.

Aug. 2 Ministry here.
" 4 C.D. Hamton here.
" 11 David took Eliza Davis to U.V. to stay a while as she is quite ill and is supposed to need doctering
" 14 Abel Stott & Wm Thompson both opened their minds.
" 26 C.D. Hamton came in the evening.
" 29 Jane Darrow and 3 sisters from U.V. came on a visit.
" 30 We finished making a pike from the house to Dayton road. This has been accomplished in 8 days, employing 6 hands and 3 teams - Fourteen dayworks were hired. Estimated cost $75.

1853

Sept 1 James Darrow and company together with Charles H. returned home to day.

" 7 Thamer Johnson here with 41 head of cattle to get pastured. David went to U. V. and returned 8th when Thamer also left for home

" 22 Josiah Burnham here from W. Water here

" 23 We have much sickness here at this time. E. Sister, Peggy Patterson, Jane, Jenny all down – Cornelius and a little girl – have chills.

" 26. E. Sister Eliza, Matilda & Thomas Williams went to U. V. E. Sister gone to be doctored again.

" 27 Thomas & Matilda got home.

" 28 Began to sow wheat. Thamer Johnson here, also E. John & Jesse Ligies. Left omnes on the 30th.

Oct 2 Henry Beesly joined and deposited $200 cash with us. We will see if this rich man can enter into the Kingdom of heaven.

" 3 Eight visiters here from W. Water – left next day

" 8 Finished sowing wheat.

" 9 Allen Page joined.

" 11 Our Sisters have been to be under a judgment. Elder Sister is sick and gone to U. V. to be doctored. Jane Tucker lying at the point of death, with a complication of diseases. Elizabeth Simonton has broken her arm. Sister Matilda has sprained her hip joint & ankle and has to be taken to and from the factory in the buggy; Margret has sprained her wrist, so that it is useless; Mariah Buck is down with fever & her recovery doubtful; Sarah Ann T. is helpless with pain in her side &c. Brethren all well.

" 20 R. Moses got home from a Pedling trip of 8 days and sold over $500 worth of stocking yarn.

" 26 E. John here with 5 sisters from U. V.

" 27 Thamer Johnson here.

" 28 David to U. V. Another sister accident (?) Melissa got her hand caught under a belt in the factory and broke her forefinger!

1853

Oct 29 E. John & Co went home & David got back from U.V.

Nov 2. David Eastwood went to U.V. with Eliza Reed & Margret, to fetch E. Sister home & returned next day

" 5 Joseph Eastwood and David Miller here from P. family U.V.

" 22 Finished our corn harvest

" 30 We had some 50 to 100 lbs wool stolen out of our factory last night

Dec 7 Two boys ran off clandestinely.

" 12 Ministry here with David Smith of S. Union. They returned on the 14th

" 22 David & Allen. went to U.V. & returned 24th

" 28 Moses started another pedling trip with 3420 cuts yarn.

Summary

Thus ends the year 1853

Weather and Crops. The summer, fall, and first winter month of this year have been unusually fine — as nigh right as the could well be made. We have had plenty of rain and yet none too much. Another first rate crop of wheat & also of corn have crowned the labors of the year. Oats rather short, Buckwheat good — Potatoes badly injured with the rot.

Factory. Wool has been high, averaging about 41 cent pr lb, yet we have done more business than in any former year in the Factory.

Improvements. Our large building comprising wood house and sisters shops has been entirely stripped and recovered with new pine boards and painted white. The meeting house has been repainted with 3 coat. The girls house has been stripped and weather boarded with pine & painted on the S. side. We have made a good pike from our dwelling to the main road. And lastly we have built a new and substantial corn crib, plained and painted & gravel roof. It is 22 by 26 & is set up on stone pillars, each pillar being a single stone, & is made completely Rat proof.

1853 Summary

The recapitulation of improvements may be thus set down.

Repairing the Wood hous building	200.00
Painting Meeting house	75.00
Repairing Girls house	25.00
Turnpike	75.00
New Crib	250.00
	$635.00

1854

Jan. 5 Thomas Williams & Sister Matilda, went to U. Village to take home Patience Naylor who had been staying with us a while. They returned on the 7th.

" 12 Joseph Agnew came here from White Water to live with us a while

" 19 E. John & E. Sally, came and brought Rachel Heall from White Water, and installed her as Elder Sister. E. Sister Eliza Davis had to be released from her burden be cause of protracted illness. Ministry went home on the 21, acompanied by Joseph Agnew.

" 30 E. D. Hampton here from U. V.

Feb 1 Thames Johnson here from U. V.

" 25 Thomas Hare released from Deaconing

March 31 We have rarely if ever seen as pleasant a March in this climate. There have been 23 clear days! with unusually mild weather. The average heat of the first days was 50°, & of the last 53°. The lowest degree was 20° & the Highest 70°. Perhaps April will pay us up.

April 1 Snow! several squalls, more than fell in the whole month of March.

" 10 Ministry here. — & went home on the 14th

" 20 E. Br. Richard. Sister Matilda, and Sam.l Starky went to Union Village, and came home on the 24, bringing home Phebe Jane Tucker.

April has done better was forebodes — quite passable

1854

May 1 Thomas Hare who had been our farm deacon went off

" 4 Planted corn

" 16 Wm. More & Sanford Russell here from U.V.

" 21 Caty Eastwood deceased 11 o'clock A.M.

" 23 S. Losy and others here from U.V.

" 26 3 Gallons Strawberries! very early

June 3 Finished shearing our sheep — 437 & had 2377lbs unwashed wool, averageing nearly 5½lbs per head.

" 5 Elder John & Abiathar Babbitt came, & returned next day

" 10 Daniel Miller came from U.V. to live with us and set as Farm Deacon.

Oct 11 Moses Miller came from Union Village

" 17 Thomas Williams & Sister & others started to W. Water on a visit. They did not return till the 25th

" 27 David went via Springboro to U. Village

" 30 Rain! for the first time since the first of July, nearly 4 months. The ground is well wet now.

Nov 2 E. John here with 3 Sisters. The all went home except persis Hoag, who is left to teach school for us a quarter.

" 22 William Britton, a young man from England joined.

Dec. 4 Daniel Miller, our Deacon, informed E. Brother that he was going to return home to U.V. tomorrow.!

" 5 We have had 15 persons here within two weeks, 14 of whom wanted to join!

Sure enough, Daniel Miller left to day for Union Village; a matter entirely of his own fixing! What a Shaker! after some 30 years residence among Believers! We are now left without a Deacon and the burden must fall on E. Brother's shoulders again who already has the burden of the Factory & Garden besides the spiritual care.

" 12 Ministry here

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The Weather. Tho we had abundance of rain in the spring, we have suffered more with drouth, than in any of the four past years.

The Factory. This has been very much crippled for want of water and we have lost lots of money for want of water to make stocking yarn to get it with.

The demand for yarn has been unusually great; but the drouth has continued unabated & water scarce till the very last week in the year. Since then we have had plenty but none to waste. Wool has been lower, and the average price we hav paid is about 31 cents pr lb; & we have a good stock on hand. We have worked only 3503 lbs. since the 10th of May; and have had uncommon hindrance with the machinery and with the blue dye.

The Farm. Our farm Deacon failed in the spring and E. B. Richard had to bear the burden of Farm Factory & Garden till David Miller came from U.V. on the 10th of June. He officiated in some sort till the 4th of December, when, after giving one days notice he left without cause or excuse — without gift or order — only that he felt home sick & wanted to go home.

Notwithstanding the want of a Deacon, and the drouth a bountiful Providence blessed us with an abundant crop of wheat and of hay & an average crop of corn. Potatoe crop very poor, Buckwheat an entire failure. We sold over 700 bushels of wheat @ $1.53 pr bushel and got about $1200. Our flax seed crop was good & Oats uncommon heavy, yielding 700 lbs. from 15 acres. Upon the whole it has been a year of blessing. Our Heavenly Father has prospered the work of our hands; and protected us from any heavy calamity. We have been blest with general health and a good degree of peace and union among ourselves. Nothing to complain of but much to be thankful for

1854 Summary

There has been one death; Sister Caty Eastwood aged 87 years; One of the Excellent of the earth, who has yielded a quiet obedience & uniform support to the gospel for near half a century

Improvements. Little has been done by way of permanent improvement. We have however build a very good ashhouse, and a substantial railroad from the milk cellar to the cow barn, and furnished it with a good hand car.

Changes. On Jan. 19th Our worthy Elder Sister Eliza Davis, had to be released from her burden of care on account of protracted sickness, and Rachel Hall from White Water was installed in her place and took her title. It should here be recorded that Eliza Davis placed in the office of Elder Sister Jan. 1st 1843, and consequently served — and served faithfully — over 11 years. She was chaste, faithful, orderly and examplary in her whole course. She was extremely neat & tidy, and uncommonly industrious and economical in household affairs, and in conducting the temporal concerns of the sisterhood.

1855

Jan. 11 Thamer Johnson here from U.V.

" 16 David Eastwood to Union Vilage via Lebanon.

" 25 Good slaying.

" 27 Joseph Agnew stated another peddling trip with S. Yarn

Feb. 7 Joseph Agnew Returned from a peddling trip, and sold 2502 Cuts stocking yarn & 2 pairs blankets — $264.20.

" 9 Thomas Williams went to U.V. to take Persis home, & got back on the 12th.

March 2 Rachel Lane Deceased. A devoted pillar of the Gospel.

March 6 Thamer here from U.V.

" 7 Joseph Agnew got home from peddling trip having been gone 9 days & sold $187.80 worth of yarn

" 30 E. Br. Richard West to U.V. and returned next day.

April 25 We Began to plant corn.

April 26 David Eastwood Bought 7000 Osage orange plants and we this day commenced setting Hedge – Set out 2000 – We continued till we set some 130 rods
Elizabeth Simonton Deceased 20 minutes pas 9 A.M. She has been a faithful pillar in the work. Thus one after one drops away & who shall fill the place?

May 4 Finished planting corn.
" 8 A freeze! Thermometer down to 30°
" 16 Finished shearing sheep. Sheared 393 & had 2000 lb wool.
" 21 Ministry here

June 9 Cephas Holloway an John Wroten here from U.V.
" 12 E. Br Amos here & Amos Babbitt from U.V.
" 14 Began to build a blue Dye House at the Factory
" 20 Finished our Dyehouse, 22 X 14 & one story. A copper vat has been purchased containing 220 Gallons, and is now set, and ready for filling. Dye in good order July 1st

July 7 Began Wheat harvest – Started reapinging machine
" 12 Started New Mowing machine
" 14 We commenced dipping in our new blue vat, on monday 2nd inst. E.B. Richard superintended getting up the dye which is his first trial at the business. The dye has worked in the very best style and he has now colored just 510 lb in two weeks and averaged about 26 lb of wool for one of Indigo.
" 24 E. John Here.

Aug. 14 Heavy rain, and one of the highest kinds of a flood Much fencing swept away & head dam broken.
" 22 Finished threshing wheat & had 520 bushels
" " We have now colored 1334 lb wool & 140 lb Yarn 1474 lb in our new Blue dye vat
" 24 Finished thrashing Oats – 942 bushels & saved 100 lb by estimation in the sheaf, making 1042 bushels
" 27 Joseph Agnew commenced peddling Yarn. Took 5541 cuts
" 29 John Wroten here on his way to U.V. with a gathered family
" 30 Just finished harvesting! Threshing the flax seed being the last of it.
" " David started with 1500 cuts yarn to sell. 7000 cuts this week

Aug. 31 A company of visiters went to U. V.

Sept 4 Our visiters & Joseph Agnew all got home, and Joseph & Wm. Brittain started another trip with 4095 cuts yarn on the 6 inst.

" 6 Three Brethren & 21 Sisters! came from U. V. In this instance that scripture was fulfilled before our eyes which says "7 women shall lay hold of one man"! Then being just 7 for each one of the brethren. Our numerous company of visiters, equaling the number of Jacob's sons and Christ's apostles combined — or the 24 Elders who worshipped before the throne, left for home on the 7th.

" 18 This day arrived 3 Sisters from North Union without a single brother! Perhaps if there had been "seven" of them they might have been strong enough to have captured "One man"; but being but 3 in number they had to come without even one! The solution of the enigmas seems to be, that two brethren started with them and came as far as Columbus on the cars, and when the sisters had changed cars there, the brethren through inattention failed to get on board till the cars started & made a clean & wide separation between the sexes!

" 19 To day our tardy N. Union arrived safe each and pursuit of their beloved Sisters. In the Evening E. John arrived from White Water with Eight souls from there, himself — making the 9th. So we have now 14 visiters representing all the other 3 societies in the State of Ohio.

" 21 Our 14 visiters "Exit omnes", for U. V. except "Seven" sisters of W. Water who are going to stay and dry apples for that Society, as they are scarce of apples & they have plenty.

Oct 8 Raised the frame of our Factory Wood house 10 x 20

" 10 Joseph Agnew got home from his 2d peddling trip and sold every cut of yarn, 4686 & 1 pair Blankets $475.60

" 11 Jane Tucker fell in the hall on a good plain floor and broke her arm! "What a mysterious Providence!"

Oct 17 Wm. Davis & Edwin Burnham here
" 18 Our White Water visiters having got through drying apples left for home to day.
" 30 Finished our Factory Wood house:

Nov. 1 E. John here from N.Y. and Elder Samuel Russell from North Union accompanied him. The left next day.
" 9 Finished putting a new roof on the saw mill building.
" 10 Ministry here, and left on the 14th.
" 22 Br Moses' bed at the factory & one in the White house were stripped and robbed of all their clothes & pillows before bed time! Nothing else missing. All the doors of the factory were found well Fastened!

Dec 8 December has given us 7 as mild & beautiful days as can be made; but it has rained all day the 8th.
" 18 E. Br Richard started for N. Union by Rail road to get a cooking stove of a superior pattern in Cleveland He reached there the same day in good season, and returned on the 22nd being only 10 hours & 40 minutes on the road from N.U. to W. Vliet!

Summary

Thus Ends the year 1855. It may be set down for a wet year. We have had abundance of rain, the whole season and have not lost one day at the factory for want of water. We have performed much more work there in the last 6 months, than we did the whole of last year. Our sales have reached $4500 since the 10 of May less than 8 months, and will doubtless go to $5000 by the end of our fiscal year, 10th of Next May

Six thousand lbs of wool have been worked, and about 2000 lbs dyed blue. 100 doffs — 6 to 700 lbs dyed Black

Crops. Most farm and garden crops have been good

Wheat was rather slim —	520	bushels
Corn 70 bushels per acre —	2000	"
Oats over	1000	"
Potatoes	1000	"

1855 Summary

Grass crops and pastures abundant, but we had a wet and very tedious harvest.

Farm improvements. These principly consists in ditching and hedging, som 300 dollars worth of which has been done.

Factory Improvements. We have built a new Blue dye house and furnished it with a copper vat. The building is covered with pine weather boards plained & painted white and it has a graveled roof. The copper vat is set with a suitable furnace & contains 220 Gallons. This improvement had to be made on account of the death of our much lamented sister Elizabeth Simonton, who had a good dying establishment up at the house where she used to do all our Blue dying. After her death E. Br. R. had to take hold of the business himself, and must have the shop near the factory. His first years effort in that line has been attended with the most complete success. Besides this improvement – A new warehouse has been built for the factory, and the two buildings and appurtainences may be set down at $300 – A new roof on the sawmill building worth $50. Whole amount of improvement $650.00

1856

Jan. 9 The thermometer this morning was 24° Below Zero! 8°" below at M. & 8°" below at night making an averag of 13⅓°" below for the day. This is perhaps the coldes day ever before known in this climate.

" 10 24°" Below again; but at M 6° above & 0°" at night

" 14 David Eastwood went to U. V. Moses got home from his peddling trip & Thamer came with him

" 19 Joh Wroten here from U. Village

Feb 19 We got home a new power loom constructed so as to weave plain or twilled & 6 quarters wide. This is to supersede our hand looms for weaving our own family cloth.

" 22 This day our last boy left and we now have not one single boy on the premises.

1856

Feb 29 Observed this day as Sabath in honor of Mother Ann's birth.

The winter months are now over, and the weather has become comparatively mild. As far my information extends, the universal opinion is, that there never was so cold a time for 2 months together in this climate, as from the 24th of December to the 24 of Feb. The first snow of the winter fell on the night of Dec. 4th and there has been uninterrupted slaying to the 24th of Feb. and the ground is stile covered with snow.

March 6 We started our new loom and it works well.

" 13 Jesse Legier & Sam.l Losy here from U.V.

" " B. Moses got home from his pedling trip and sold

" " $217 dollars worth of yarn.

April 1st March is gone, and the whole month has been cold enough for January. The ground is still frozen and the old snow lying about in patches. No plowing has yet been done. This morning was cold enough for midwinter but it moderates some this evening. Sanford Russel arrived here from Union, but left on the 2nd for U.V.

" 11 Old snow just disappeared to day.

" 15 Ministry here. Got our flax seed sowed.

" 16 Stephen Easton & Joseph West here from 2nd Fam. U.V.

" 19 Ministry left for home.

" 22 D. Miller & Wm. More here from U.V.

" 26 Polly Eastwood deceased at 9. A.M

" 28 E. Br Richard went to U.V. with Wm. Britton, Sister Matilda Eliza Davis & Sidney Dye. They returned home on the 1st of May.

May 19 Thamer Johnson, came from U.V. with Malinda Watts, Melinda Buckanan, Julia Hampton & Vincy McNemar.

" 20 E. Br. Ebenezer Rice here from W. Water

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May 21 E. Br. Ebenezer and all the rest of our visiters except Vincy left for home.

" 22 Frost!

" 30 Frost!!

June 13 Benjamin Shannon from N.U. on his way to U.V.

" 21 E. Br Richard Cleansed & Rinced 400 lb wool.

July 2 Wheat harvest begun

" 8 Elder John and Sister Naomi came with Hyram Rood & Hannah Agnew, the latter of New Lebanon, but both of whom were originally western Believers. They are on there way home

" 10 Our eastern visiters left for home

" 12 Ministry went home

" 21 Finished Dying blue wool for the season — 1500 lbs and also Dyed 36 doff of yarn blue — about 360 lb and 72 doff dyed Black —

" 28 The lightning struck a tree in our horse pasture under which several of our horses were standing 4 of which were Knocked down & 3 Killed! One has recovered so as to walk about but seems to be blind.

" 30 Rain. Hail! and a Hurricane! Much fence & corn blown down, & many trees prostrated.

" " Thomas Johnson here from U.V.

" "

Aug. 21 E. John & E. B. Ebenezer Rice Came P.M.

" 22 E. John went home

" 24 E Br Ebenezer preached to us 1 hour to day in meeting

" 25 Commenced thrashing wheat and finished on the 27 having 602½ bushels & 312½ of oats

Sept 1 Commenced stripping and re weatherboarding our Factory building

" 2 Two Brethren & 5 sisters came from W. Water to dry apples

Sept 5 E. Br. Richard ~~came~~ started to W. Water on a visit with Sister Matilda & Eliza Reed. They went by the way of Union Village. They got home on the 11th and E. Br was very sick & hardly able to get home.

" 15 Ministry came to day. E. Brother still sick and has not eat the least morsel in 5 days. To day he tryed to eat a little

" 18 By the advice of the Ministry we commenced repairing cleaning up and painting the North house and the conclusion now is that the Eldership now occupying the center house shall move to the N. house except E. Sister Rachel, (who wile go to U V.) and take with them 9 other members & so constitute a family there in or that an Eldership & some 20 members from White water may take possession of the center house.

" 20 The move of Furniture to the N. House commenced

" 25 This day the great move was consumated — a day long to be remembered as a new era at Waterliet. Time alone can determine whether it shall result in good or evil, gain or loss to this little community that has so long been struggling for very life.

The Move was as follows E. Brother Richard, Br Moses David Eastwood and Thomas Williams, constituted the brotherhood for the N. House, Matilda Williams received the title of Elder Sister & Maryann Duffy that of Sister to live with her, These two with Peggy Patterson Eliza Reed, Keziah Hughes, Nelly Jackson, Jane Tucker, Sidney Dye & Betsy Kryse. 4 brethren & 9 sisters all moved to the North house.

The following 20 brethren and Sisters 10 of each arrived from W. Water and took our places in the center house. Namely, E. Br Ebenezer Rice & Br Matthew Carter — Elders — Ezra Sherman & Lewis Packer deacons Ramoth Bunting, Francis Van, Thomas Streets Matthew Fraser, William Adams & Charles King,

Sept. 25 Eld. Sister Adaline Wells & Sister Matilda Butler Elder sisters — Mary Jane Lewis, Hester Ann Revoix Mary Adams. Mary E. Stroud. Rebecca Adams Emily Adams, Sally McBride & Bethena Williams together with 7 brethren & 6 sisters left there, constituting a family of 33 persons.

Oct 2 E. John here and he and E Br. Ebenezer went to Dayton on a Missionary trip. The gift is now to turn out strong in the missionary business and "compell" them to come in the our house may be filled.

" 16 Elder John here — Another move in the wind! which may take place in two weeks.

" 17 A wood house raised at the ~~factory~~ North house 30 by 13 feet 4 inches

" 19 The Missionaries E. John, Br. Moses, Ezra & Matthew returned this evening. They have been scouring the hedges, highways & byways, and brought home 2 convert boys, and report a prospect of 40 or 50 who are looking & leaning this way. We shall see whether they come!

" 20 E. John went home & Ezra went with him.

" 21 Our two Elder sisters went to Dayton, having caught the missionary spirit, and brought home 3 female proselytes! Ezra returned from U.V.

" 27 Ezra and the two Elder Sisters started on a Missionary trip. They returned on the 28th without proselytes.

" 30 E. John came from U.V. P.M and his gift now is that E. Br Richard be released from his office title and burden of care here and move to Union Village. Brother Moses is to succeed him in office and title.

Nov. 1 This morning at the breakfast table, at the North house, when we were done eating E. Br Richard bestowed his "mantle" and title of Elder brother ~~[illegible]~~ on Br Moses & left us forever, & went home to U.V. with E. John.

Our records on the other page goes as far as the first of November but I shall go back as far a the 25 of September and commence when this society received some additon to their number from White Water and shall follow in part the diary of Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice and from the day book of Moses Eastwood

Interdiction to the White Water movement

For some time past there has been an anxious feeling by the Ministry and church at Union Village that the society at Waterviet might receive help and strength that they might able to gather and save souls Accordingly in the fore part of the seplember 1856 the Ministry communeated their feelings to the believers at White Water who unversally expresed their good union in this matter and felt willing to do all they could to help carry out the feelings of the Ministry and church at Union Village by giving as many believers from White Water to go to Waterviet to live as the Ministry should think best

Accordingly the Ministry in union with Elders at White Water chose Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice and Matthew Carter the sisters were Elder Siser Adaline Wells and Matilda Butler these are the Elders from Whit Water. Eyro Sherman and Lewis Packer Dacons. Mary Adams and Mary Elen Stroud. Deaconesses with the addition of Raymoth. G. Bunting. Thomas Streets Francis Vann. William Adams Matthew Traver. Charles King 10 brethren Mary Jane Lewis. Hester Ann Deveaux. Rebecca Adams. Sally McBride. Emely Adams and Rethynia William 10 sisters 20 in all to go to Waterviet to live

Accordingly. September the 22. on Monday three carriages came from Union Village on drove by Moses Miller from the first family and two from the second family one carriage from White Water drove by Washinton Rubush which with the Ministrys carriage makes five carreages that conveyed the above mentioned twenty members with their clothing to Union Village on the 23 it being the nex day of the above mentioned wagons arrived here and on our way near Hamilton we were met by 40 believers from Union Village who accompanied us to U. V. we arrived there about four o clock in the evening we were received and treated with the greatest fiendship

Sept 24th The five carriages with the company that came with them tarried at Union Village. and at ten o clock the believers generally met togeather and it was a good free time many spoke their faith and among the rest Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice spoke ~~[illegible]~~ representing the faith and sense of the 20 from White Water which was approved of by the Ministry and church at Union Village the little company received a good portion of love and strength in this meeting to help them to do the work that they were called to do and a firm assurance was manifested that the time dead fully come for the believers at Waterviliet to be helped and that the little company of 20 from White Water were called of God for the express purpose and no doubts were entertained but that they would be blessed in the undertaking and be able to perform what they were called to do

25 The little company above mentioned with their clothing were conveyed by the above mentioned carriages to Waterviliet (distance 22 miles where we were met by the old believers at the North house who welcomed us with a cheering little song with these words. Come on ye little lovly band. With free and open heart we stand
Fully ready to embrace every simple child of grace
~~And~~ as you do all belong to pure Angelic throng
Welcome welcome you are all to our hearts and room and hall
this song we sung from the north on the way to the center and again we were met by the remainder of the brethren and and sisters a Waterviliet which were left at the center house and again made welcome and the new comers were conducted to the different rooms of the house which were well furnished for the comforts for those who had come to dwell in them with beds chairs and a bureau and other furniture in every room in the house. the newcomer were 20 in number which were above named those who were left at the center house were 13 in number namely. Henry Gross. John Adams. William Butterworth. William Brittain. and three boys Francis Fulford. George Fulford and Athony Picard. the sisters were. Phebe Jane Tucker. Sarah Ann Turbyville Sarah Ann Kripe. Isabel. Letarno & Moriah Kripe. Catharine Carroll these. 13. added to the 20 newcomers makes 33 members in the family and 13. at the north house make 46 members in this society

1856 Sept. 26. Having been suitable introduced to the house and its different apartment we spent the day in puting things in order and the the brethren spent the day in view the farm and all parts of the princes in company of Elder John Here and Moses Eastwood
Those brethren who conveyed us here returned home except the Ministry who tarried with us some days the Ministry concisted of three persons Elder John Martin. Eldress Sally Sharp and Naomi Ligear
27 The brethren who latly came here began to work at cuting up the corn back of the cow barn for fodder.
Moses Eastwood was released from taking care of the milk cows at the center house having taken care of them since the first of day of May this present year Francis Vann took the charge of them
There was a meeting held here to day by the directors of the Dayton Waterliet and Xenia turnpike company to agree where the turnpike should go through Green County this turnpike has been going on in Mongomery County since 7th of last July this turnpike runs on a section line straight through our place till it comes to the Green County line
William Boswell was admitted into the family as a member
29 A meeting was held by the Ministy and Elder of the north house the Ministy gave some council concerning those who had lattyl come to live at Waterliet and also concerning young believers who should be gathered in
there was another meeting held by the Elder and Deacons of this society at the north house in the Elders room concerning temporal affairs and to give those who latly came here a chance to get hold of the range of temporal business and to know wehet business to get hold of first
Nicholas Wolch a hired man was stled off with and the left us
The brethren at the center house turned their attention cuting up corn for fodder except Ezra Sherman. Mathew Barter and William Adams who were employed in puting a cement floor in th north house seller and some brick partitions
there has been a cement floor also put in the seller at the center house and also brick partition put through the seller part by a hired man and remainder by our own brethren and also stone steps put in door ways of both houses sellers of both houses

1856 Sept 30 The first payment was made on the hundred acres of land that this society bought from William Jordan this land is in Green County directly east of this place borders on the county line for which we agreed to pay 53 dollars per acre which amounts 5300 dollars this first payment 2300 and the remainder in two equal payment with in two years

Oct 1. Moses Eastwood went to Dayton to get Boone to put a pump in the well at the north house this day cold snowing in the morning Raymoth G. Bunting and Francis Vann were appointed to work in the factory

2 Moses Eastwood was released form the care and charge of temporal things and Deaconing business having had the burden of it for most two years or shortly after Daniel Miller returned home to Union Village he had no regular appointment but garually took it upon him to release Elder Brother from the burden and Ezra Sherman and Lewis Packer from White Water was Deacons and took charge of temporal affairs who had been previous appointed to that office

3 Ezra Sherman and Moses Eastwood went Daniel Boroughs to get him to help us to measure off his sixty acres of land so that we might find the line to run the turnpike between us and him but did not agree about the line and Moses Eastwood went Dayton to get a surveyer to come and measure it off

George Graham a Setchman and a weaver by trade united with this society and taken as a member

4 the Ministry returned home to Union Village having been here from the time the move took place and took Rachel Hall with them to live at Union Village she had been released from being the Elder Sister of this society at the time of the move

7 Edward Newcom took some of cattle to the county fair the took the premium of cattle

J. B. Johns a surveyor came here from Dayton to survey of D. Boroughs sixty acres of land and find the line to run the turnpike on between our land & his land Ezra Sherman and Moses Eastwood with Borough helped surveyor and we staked off the turnpike and we gained about two rods of ground

11. the new pump was put into the well at the north house the factory house has been painted over this fall partly by a hired man and finished by Moses Eastwood the factory had new weather boards put on it this past season

Oct 1856. Oct. 14. Elder John came here alone in his two horse carrigge
16. there started on a missionary trip to Dark County Elder John Martin
(Moses Eastwood. Ezra Sherman and Matthew Carter. they went in Elder
Johns two horse carriage the object of the mission is to see and feel what
was among manking in the world of a religious nature and if
possible to turn their attention towards believers and gift seems to be
that the time come to compel souls to come in the house may be filled
these missionarys went through Dayton to words Greenville and passed
through Salem and Phillipsburg and camped by the night this side of Greenville
on the road side
17 they persued their journey to Greenville and passed on to the rising
Star or Bloomerton a sort of community but finding nothing there we
returned back to Greenville and made some labors there and passed
on towards Eaton and camped again for the night on the road side
18 they persued their Journey ~~through~~ to Eaton and made some labors
with a number of people and then took the road to ~~in~~ Winchester
and camped for the night on the Ottoman creek near Winchester
19 they passed through Winchester and took the road to Middletown &
about three miles to a family by the name of Mizes who had
expressed some desire to come to believers and made some labors
with them and they promised to come to believers and we took two
boys and brought them home by the name of Amos and Jeremiah Wolf
and we returned home the same day and these is all we got
altho many had their attention turned towards believers and
promised to come and see believers but none ever came here
the missionary and compeling gift is verry strongly pushed on
by Elder John and our carriage runs every week to Dayton to
hunt and gather up all who can be purswaded to come or has
any desire to make a home among believers and the carrigge does
not only go once a week but two and three times a week and some times
every day to gather all down troden out casts orphans men and
women and children of every class
18 David Eastwood and Elder Sister Adeline went to Dayton with some others and brought
home two women one a widow by the name of Rosanna Mankins
the other Elizabeth Riley
23 Elizabeth Riley set out to be a beleever
21 Clary Fry aged 16 (has a child) united with beliemes

1856 Oct. 23. Raymoth G Bunting moved to the north house to live
Joseph Wesley Baker was brought here by his Father and given to believers
24 Ezra Sherman and William Adams moved Godlife Myres and family here a wife and four children two boys was brought here by the brethren on the 19 when they came home from missionary trip they came contrary to their own wills having desired to wait till spring but the compling ~~was a~~ gift was so strong that they were urged to come immediately and promising them that they should be supported until spring
28 Amos Wolf. Jeremiah Wolf and John Wolf united with believers
29 William Hews bound his two boys to believers named Hiram and Francis Hughs
Nov 1 Ezra Sherman stared on a pedling trip to sell stockenyarn and took with him Godlife Myres a german to visit White Water
14 Ezra returned home from pedling and brought home with him three boys named John Stansbery Amos Stansbery and Timothy Murphy and a girl named Mary Stansbery
13. Frederick Faulhaver was here and took away their cattle which had been here since the move there were brought then from White Water to be pastured a while
15. Mallhew Carter and Lewis Packer went out west ward on a gathering expedition but returned without succes
18 Ezra Sherman and Elder Sister Matilda and Elder Sister Adaline went to Eaton to see and get some folks to come to believers but did not get any body they brought home John Sherman
20 David Eastwood and Elder Sister Adaline and Catherine Carroll went to Dayton and brough home Mary Ann Carrell and two other women
Moses Beach came here and united with believers
the dogs killed 31 sheep last nigh and Ezra and Lewis went in pursuit of the dogs and killed them
21 James and Charles Johns came here to unite with believers and was taken but went of the nex day
John Macbride came here for a privilege from White Water a boy
Martha Haven and her child came here to unit with believers
23 John Macbride was taken in on trial
24 Martha Heaven was taken on trial
28 Marion Banister came here from White Water and got a privilege
Mary Ann Carroll was brought here from Dayton by Eder Sister she is a girl

1856 Nov 28 Richard Pelham came here on business from Union Village
29 Ezra Sherman and Elder Sister Adaline Sally Mac bride went to Dayton and brought home John Carroll and Mary Carroll and their two youngest children named John and Mariah Carroll and four boys named Charles Short John Short and George Grul and William Grul Henry Grul
Martha A. Parker came here to be a believer
Decem 1 John Carroll and Mary Carroll set out to be believers
3 the roof of the cow stable was blown off by the wind at night
7 Samuel MacDaniels came here and set out among believers
10 William Nichols returned to this society having had a privilege before
12 Samuel Parker a boy was brought here son of Marthas Parker
13 Laury Ann Chace came to this society
14 Amos and John Wolf went off to their Mothers who lived on the place
17 John Hayden came here and sed out to be a believer
19 Ezra Sherman and John Sherman was appointed to take care of the boys in the place of Francis Vann and Thomas Streets
24 John Sherman was released from taking care of the boys
Eliza Welchhamner set out to unite with believers with five children
Raymoth C. Bunting and he took sick and stayed at the factory and left his place and duty and business in the family on Moses Eastwood who took charge of the cows and carryind wood for the family
31 Martha Ham setout to be a believer: So ends the year 1856

Sumrary view of 1856.

The past year has been an extrorinry year for Watervliet the winter has been exceeding cold the coldest ever known in this climate on the 9 of Jan. 24 below zero and continued below all day 10. 24 again below zero in the morning the snow that fell Christmas eve layed on the ground all winter and continued on the ground untill the first of April spots of snow was yet seen in places there been no break up or thaw in the winter as usual but a constant freeze from Christmas untill the first of April before any plowing could be done the remainder of the year has been very dry and the summer very warm vegetation has been cut short by the drouth through the summer altho we have had a resonable chrop of wheat and corn but potatoes and other vegetables is scarse wheat and corn we have plenty over

1856 a thousand bushels of old corn in the crib besides a good crop in field about 30 acres ready to gather in this fall and old wheat enough to do us until Christmas and over 600 bushels of new wheat harvested and thrashed this year and 300 bushels of oats was thrashed out old oats on hand realy enough for another year there has been some improvements both public and private the private improvements are a cement floor in both sellers of center house and north house some ditching done on the place the factory house has been weather boarded a new and painted the public improvement is a new turpike road runing through our place from Dayton to Xenia it runs on a section line until it come to the Green County line there has been an addition to our place of 100 hundred acres of land bought from W. Jordan in Green County 53 dollars per acre the new turnpike road runs on two sids of it the west and south side of it

there has been various changes taken place in this society the society consising of 26 members and 20 more from White Water makes 46 members and there is two families established the North house is again occupied by a family of believers which has been vacant for 20 years it was vacated June 16th 1836 by the believers and not occupied by any regular family of believers until September the 25. 1856. altho it has been occupied by diferent families of hired men who were employed by the society and some times by families that were part believers and part standing off

The compeling gift has been going on since the late move in the month of September this gift has been urged on with great success that by the end of the year there has been forty souls gathered in to this society of men women and children and all of them poor and destitute and many of them without a home or a second suit of clothes to their backs and to feed and clothe these destitute people at this time of year was a great labour and provisions grew verry scarce except bread and meat there were plenty but other vegetables were verry scarce. and one accident hapend which made butter and milk scarce by turning the milk cows into the orchard to eat the apples they were all foundered and they gave little or no milk throug the winter altho some are higly exited with such an ingathering but the spring of the year will prove what will become of there so ends the year 1856. long to be remembered at Whitewater

1857 January 2 Joseph Eastwood came here from Union Village to bring Manly Sherman here on a visit from White Water

3 George King came here with a wagon load of provisions for the center family or gathering order

4 William Nichols came to live and take care of the cows and tend the kitchen fire

5 Joseph Eastwood returned home and left Manly Sherman here Andrew Roberson and John Gildy bought a wagon load of provisions for the gathering family from Union Village the gathering gift goes on so strong that provisions are growing verry scarce and have to receive help from Union Village and White Water

8 Manly Sherman started on his way home to White Water

9 John Mc Daniels came here to see believers

12 there was a meeting of the directers of Dayton Watervliet and Xenia turnpike company at the factory

13 John Mc Daniels united with believers

14 The Ministry here from Union Vilage and Peter Boyd with them who has been latly appointed to stand in that order our present Ministry stands thus Elder John Morton Brother Peter Boyd. Eldress Sally Sharp and Naomi Ligeur.

21 Elder John went from here to Northunion

22 the remainded of the Ministry returned home to Union Village

23 William Brittain and William Nichols and Matthew Barter went with Ministry drove down three durham cattle to Union village it is intended for William Nichols to remain there and work at shoemaking

verry cold in the morning 17 degrees below zero

again 21 Moses Eastwood and two sisters Elder Sister Matilda and Peggy Patterson went to Harbines mills to see a wash mill that they had we went in the two horse sleigh

again 22 Moses Eastwood went Bellbrook and with the sleigh and bought a wash mill for the of the use of the north house for which he paid 12 dollars

26 William Brittain returned home and brough with him Israel Trotter to be school teacher

28 Elder Brother Phillip Antes came here and brought home Matthew Barter who had went to Union Village with the Ministry

30 there was meeting by the brethren to consider what should be be gone into by way of improvement and to making a living

1857 and it was agreed tabd and engine should be purched to
run the factory when the water failed and to put the grist mill
in order to grind wheat and to put a kitchen at the north house
60 by 30 this improvement besidsis making living was four
times as much as we ware able to perform or strength to do
26th of the past month althe not in its proper place Eliza Welch hammer
withdrew from this society takind her five children
Martha Parker withdrew from this society
Feb. 1 John Mc. Daniels with drew from this society
Joseph Barret came here to live with beleser a boy 10. years old
7 Thomas Embry and two other youth boys brought a load of potatoes
with a two hose wagon for the use of this society
the dogs killed nine sheep last night
9 William More came here from Union Village to grind the cods of
the factory and put them in order for work
12. John Short, Henry Grub and George Grub and Joseph Baret
run away from this society to the world
David Eastwood and Eder Sister Matilda and Elder Sister Adaline
went Dayton and brought home two boys, William Edmons and
Thomas Wordlow and two girls Ann Petitt and Carline Wordlow
14 Ann Pud came back to to this society who had been taken away
by her Mother but we found out her proper name to be Mary Elizabeth
Callens her Mother was a turnoff from Plesant hell and altered
their names to get in here
18 George Grub came back and got another previlege
16 Elder John Peter Boyd and Richard Pelham here with Ithamer
Johnson from U. T. who was going on a garden seed trip
17 Ithamer went on his journey and Eyre Sherman Sher went
with him they went a trip up the Misissipia river
18 Elder John Peter Boyd and Richard returned home
the brethren began to dig the seller for the kitchen at the north
house
120 Matthew Carter went White Water with a two horse wagon
for willows appletrees grape cutings currants and so forth
25 George Goa kam with drew from this society
27 William Boswell with drew from this society
Richard Murpey set out again had a privilege before

1857 Feb. 27 there came on a visit from Union Village to Watervliet
John Brown. Charles Clapp and Ann Price. Aletha Parkes &
Rachel Macelhany. Eliza Thomas they were from the young order
March 2. the visitors returned home to Union Village
4 Godlife Myers and family moved from this society this is the
family that was brough here through the compeling gift but
they proved to be a sore thorne in the sides of those who done it
for they came contrary to their own wills no doubt this will
be lesson to many for we were glad to got clear of them
5 John Carroll with drew from this society
John Haydon with drew from this society
James Garlinger was hired to work at the carpenter business
until the first of November he moved into the house on the east place
7 Ambi Yone or Martha Harris went to the world
9 William More returned home to Union Village Israel Trotter and
Marion Banister went with him
10 verry cold for March 7 degrees below zero in the morning
11 David Eastwood went to Cincinnatia to buy wool he went on th rail road
16 John Sherman went the world
19 William Adams went the world
20 Richard Murphey went to the world
23 John Carroll came and here with a wagon and took away his wife & three children
the great winter gathering of souls to this society proves to be
more for the loaves and fishes and for winter quarters than for
salvation for they had little or no faith and no desire to take
up their crosses they soon scatered and vanished away like fog of
the morning
28 Ezra Sherman retured home from the seed trip with Shamer
having been gone since the 17th of last February
April 4 Keziah Hughy departed this life nine o clock and 35 minuts
aged 100 years she has been a study resident of this place 44 years
6 William Nichols returned back from Union Village he came
out of union
8 William Nichols moved to the north house to live and help take
care of the cows and tend the kitchen fire
John Sharp came here on a visit from White Water
14 Charles McCormick came here to live in the society
he is 12 years of age

1857. April 21 Moses Eastwood and Eyra Sherman began to set out a new apple orchard west of the young orchard and west of the grave yard and set out in the new orchard 254. young apple trees
23 Ministry came here from Union Village
27 Marion Banister went off to the world
28 Eyra Sherman and Moses Eastwood began to set out a new peach orchard on the south side of the turnpike and on the north side of the hill and north of the new apple orchard and we set out in this peach orchard 234. peach trees
29 Ministry returned home to Union Vilage
30 William Nichols went to the world
America Hews went to the world
May 1. Elder Brother Stephen Ball and Reese Stroud came here from White Water and brought with them three boys. Nathan Adams Hary Adams and Paul Revoaux the three boys is to live here
4 Elder Brother Stephen and Reese Stroud returned home
8 Richard Petham came here from Union Village on business
Joseph and Lydia Ann Staker was taken away by their Porents
9 there were two under ground drains laid in the middle of the north west field part laid with crockery pipes and of wood
12 Thomas Williams. Mary Ann Duffy Peggy Patterson Sidney Davis went a visit to Union Village
14. There was this evening about five o clock a dreadful storm of rain hail and wind the hail was as large as a commen hickry nut or small egg and fell verry fast and almost covered the ground and broke about 200 lights of glass out of the windows and the hail blowed across the room and on to the beds and carpets
16 we began our spring marketing David and Lewis Packer went to market this is 16. days later than we commonly begin
15 Joseph Edmond came here to live
21. 2 Sarah Ann Turbyville went to the world
21 & 22 we planted corn and finished planting the las of this month
Elder John and Cephas Holloway came here from U. V.
25 James Mc Laughlen united with believers
29. we were called on to work on the road Abram Eversole supervisor
30 we continued working on the road across the prairy

1859 June 1 John Thompson came here to see believers
2 we began to shear our sheep three hands of our own Eyra Sherman Moses Eastwood David Eastwood one hired man James Garlinger and two boys Charles King and William Edmunds
3 Levi Macnemar and Joseph Francis and two boys came here they were on busnes in the cuntry and stoped here a day or two
6 we finished shearing the sheep having 300 shearing sheep 98 lambs
12 Richard Pelham here from Union village and Josiah Burnham here from White Water
Hiram Hess was take away by his Father
Henry Grub went to the world
18 a company of visitors came here from White Water viz: George King John Hobart Jun. Elder Sister Louisa Farnham. Julian King Sarah Elen Bryant. Susanna Farady Prissilla Rubush. Harriet Ann Thompson. George Rubush came with them from Union Village
20 about 30 of the brethren and Sister went with the visitors from White Water took a ride to Dayton in six carriage loads and stoped at the Asylum and there had a meeting and sung and danced some and the inmates of the Asylum also played on instruments and danced and we went through the building and saw the lunatics in their differen wards or rooms or cells where they stayed and returned home at six o clock in the evening
22 The visitors from White White water returned home
24 Thomas Williams and Elder Sister Matilda Williams and Matilda Butler went up on to Mad river on some business and to see if they could get fo orphen children
30 Moses Eastwood and Elder Sister Adaline Mary Adams went to Dayton and took in two world women and to see Ann Fleming who wanted to come among bilievers
July 1. Ann Flimings moved here to dofay herwith her property John Thompson an englishman united with believers
4 Joseph Edmunds William Edmund and George Gruel and Charles Shert went to the world
7 Moses Eastwood began to work at the blue dying for the season to be relieved from harvesting Matilda Williams to keep the dye in order
8 Williams Williams a shoemaker set out to be a believer
13 Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice went to Springfield and Columbus on a missionary trip and to gather orphen children

1857 July 16 Thomas Wardlaw was taken away by his parents
David Eastwood went ~~to~~ with Elder Sister Adaline to the ~~Xen~~ Dayton
20 Poor house and got two boys ~~and~~ Washington Montgomery and ~~Steph~~
Stephen Martin
24 Thomas William went ~~to~~ with Elder Sister Adaline to the Xenia
poor house and got two boys and girl
30 Elizo Davis returned home from Union Village accompanied by
Charles Hampton Sally Patterson Sarah Cohren Frances Roton
26 Jacob Banget a boy was bound to this society
John Thompson and William Williams went to the world
August 6 the Ministry came here from Union Village
8 Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice went on visit to White Water in
company of Elder George Rubush
10 Dianna More house came here and united with believers
12 William Hinch a boy came to live with believers
11 Richard Pelham came here to do some colering of black yarn
and to learn Matthew Carter how to color black and he is
to work in the factory
17 ~~Eldar~~ Brother Ebenezer Rice returned home from White Water
and brought home with him to Waterviet Amy Bellis and her
two girls Azylalia and Amualia Lucretia
25 William Hinch ran away to his Mother
21 Richard Pelham returned home to Union Village
with David Eastwood who went after wool
25 Thomas Bridgman began to thrash our grain we begon at the oats
31 we finished our oats having 1200 bushels
September 1 we began to thrash our Wheat
2 we finished our wheat having thrashed ou 300 bushels this is
part of the crop the remaind was put into the barn without thrasing
The North union Mistry came here and stayed all night
Elder John was with them
John Hobart Junior and Lucretia Hobart came here and stayed ovis
night they had brought their ~~a~~ Mother to the Asylum
7 Elder John and two boys John Miller and Robert Mocelhany
came from Union Village with 7 horses and plows and 30 bushels
of wheat the came here to plow ground for wheat they powed in
the field west of the yourd orchard
David Eastwood started on a pedling trip

1857 Sept 12: Elder John and campany returned home to Union Village
11 we finished coloring our blue wool having colored 1500 pounds
16th the hired man finished burning our brick kiln having 120000 for the kitchen at the north house they were made & burned at two dollars per thousand
18 Washington Montgomery was taken back to the poor house
Elizabeth Hill came here to believers from Cincinnatia with four children
21 Moses Eastwood went Dayton to the depot and brought out some thing fo Elizabeth Hill and brough heme John Hobart from White Water
22 Elizabeth Hill set out to unite with believers
23 there went on a visit from Watervliet to Whites Water two brethren and five sisters Lewis Packer. William Brillain sisters were Elder Sister Adaline Wells. Mary Elen Stroud. Rebecca Adams. Sally Macbride Emely Adams
27 Henry Grosp departed this life about nine o clock this evening having been sick since the 9 of July last and has been in a helpless condition until his death Thomas Streets attended on hem through his sickness
27-30 the frost has been verry severe for the season and ingured Vegetation verry much paticular the corn almost poiled the crop
October 2. the visitors returned home from White Water
6 Ezra Sherman and Moses Eastwood took some cattle to the County fair one bull two cows two heifers and two calves and one yoke of oxen
7 they again went the fair and took in the cattle and ~~the~~ got the premium on one yoke of oxen and first premium on one cow and a second premium on another
8 Moses Eastwood went to Dayton to the depot with the carriage and brought out a company of visitors from White Water They came up the rail road from Hamilton the visiters were Josep B. Agnew. Susanna Farnham. Polly Champlin. Minerva Maguire. Phebe Banister. Eliza Carter Lucy Woodard and and got to Watervliet about nine o clock in the evening
12 the visiters from White Water returned home by the same way they came here that is by the rail road to Hamilton and to be met by their ~~or~~ own carriage and conveyed home
14 George Grub left this society

1857. Oct. 15. another company of visitors from White Water they caraein a carriage they were Elder Brother Ephraim Frost Ernest Lafrantry. Eizabeth King. Amanda Rubush Margaret Nichals. Emaline Brooks. ~~Eely Flag~~ Emely Flag

18 Raymoth Bunting came to the north house live and to attend kitchen and take care of the cows

19 The White Water visitors returned home

22 Richard Pelham came here on business

23 Richard went to Dayton to see a mill to grind and press the Chine Shugar cane in company of Elder Brother Ebenezer Moses Eastwood and David Eastwood

27 Abner Bedle and Nancy Macneman. Loving Rollens came here on their way to ~~Yellow~~ Yellow Springs

29. Edward Hill a boy came here to stay from Sandesky

30 John Hobart Sen. came here on a visit from White Water

Nov. 3. Matthew Carter went White Water with a wagen load of ~~so~~ garden seeds

5 Walter Vann and family wife and two children came here to be believers they came from Philadelphia

10 Richard Wilson (a colered man) brought colered girls here to live with believes by the name of Martha. Saphrona Malone these were his adopted children

16 Michael Brant united with believers
~~Ewen~~ Williams united with believers

17 Patrick Doub united with believers

18 The new Bell was hung on the center house kitchen
David Eastwood started on a peddling trip to sell stocken yarn Charles King went with him
Hester Ann Pettit came back to believers

19 Elder George Rubush came here from Union Village

21 George Rubush returned and took Walter Vann with him

23 Mannis Dority came here with a carriage and brought back Walter Vann from Union Village

24 Walter Vann went Union Village to live with all his family in the carriage that came here yesterday
Moses Eastwood Thomas Williams Peggy Patterson and Jane Tucker and Phebe Jane Tucker went ~~or~~ to see a docter and get some medicine beyond Dayton we went ~~a~~in a sleigh

1857. December 4 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
Barny Rouka set out to be a believer a shoe maker
5 George Smith set out with believer
Stone steps was laid at center house kicken by Cyra Sherman
11 Francis Fulford was taken to the poor house by Israel Tratter
12 the Ministry came here from Union Village on a visit
13 Michael Shandly set out with believers
Richard Wilson set out with believers
George Smith went to the world
16 Ministry returned home to Union Village
Moses Beech and Elder Sister Matida Peggy Patterson and Mary Ann Duffy went to Fairfield to see a family of colored people
19 Ann Flemings left this society
Lydia Ann Edmunds was taken to her Mothers
20 William Geen a boy come here to live with believers
Robert Wilson unted with believers but soon went off
22 Henry Rankman unted with believers
24 James Ball came here on a visit
28 James Ball returned home to Union Village
30 Ambizene Harris went to the world

This past Summay remarks on the year 1857
This past year has been quite a fertile year for the groth of Vegetation of all kinds Water melon and musk melons has been verry plenty many wagon loads has been sold the income from the melons that has been sold is about 200 dollers and season has been favorable for all kinds of vegetation altho it has been cut short the spring was verry late for planting and the frost has been verry early in the fall the season has been quite too short for corn it being planted the latter part of May and first of June and severe frosts in the latter part of September made the season to short for corn to get ripe and most of it was ingured by the frost and some of it only in roasting ears or in the milk and none of the corn was fit for seed for another year and old corn the following spring sold at one dollar per bushel and scarce at that price and the society having two or three hundred bushes of old corn people came 15 and 20 miles to buy seed corn

1857 The past year has been verry dry yet there been rain enough for the groth of vegetation being blessed with frequnt showers but not rain enough to raise the water in the creek and not rain enough to raise the water out of the bank of the creek for more than a year such scarsity of water in the creek has not been known by the oldest inhabitence of the place

The improvements this year has not been much great calculations were made and much business laid out for the year a kitchen at the north house and the factory started by steam to run in dry times and an other run of stone, to be put into the grist mill to grind four and the gardens to be improved and farming enough to raise our own provision to live on this was business enough for four times to much for the strength or means we had to perform it and beside all this it was calculated to start a the dairy business and about 500 dollars were laid out for buying milk cows and much preparations were made for going into dairy or milk business it was intended sell milk in Dayton and accordindly the west barn was taken down and to be ~~and~~ put up at the center house for the use the cows for the milk business but finding some parts deficient it was thrown away as useless, and the leading authority at the center house took it into their heads to make a new barn or stable and the carpenter that was hired was put to hewing the timber and frairing it and got a bolt ready to raise and stipped the building and there let it lay exposed to the weather. and the milk business also fell ~~f~~ through after buying the cows they found no one willing to sell the milk and this ended the milk business this digression of business from what was calculated in the spring when the council was held that put all other business back and scattered our ~~fo~~ means and strength that little or no improvements were finisled the kitchen at the north house was began the seller was dug and partly walled up and the brick was made and some of the timber was prepared and then stoped as to the factory nothing was done by the way of improvement the grist mill had another pair stones put in it to grind flour as to the gardens was much enlarged and improved

two new orchards were set out one of appletrees and the other of peachtrees 234 trees the apple orchar 254 trees

some improvement on the farm particular the fensing along the new ~~and~~ turnpike road and some post and plank fense the crops on

1857. the farm was abundant wheat was good the corn had a good groth but cut short by the frost the potatoes were a good crop the fruit were scarse almost cut off by the frost, the worms these worms are not the commen catapillars but a sort of canker worm which does not only destroy the fruit but kills trees and has spoiled many of our appletrees in our old orchard and done much damage to the forest trees. these worms are a new enemy which has made it appearence this year never known to have done any damage before in this place to the fruittrees until this year

The great in gathering of people to this society has been about 60 or 70 persons were gathered the past fall and winter and when spring of the year came in they soon began to scatter away and was soon gone except a few individuals and a number of children these were people that had but little or no faith but came in more from necesity than from any religious motives for the loaves and fishes and shelter from the cold winter many of them were urged in through the compeling gift or hunted up from various quarter and particularly Dayton for our carriage ran weakly and oftener brough out many orphan children and the poor and forsken the widow and fatherless and our house was verry much crouded while cold weather lasted but when warm weather came we found our number quite much reduced and our strength of hands quite weak for the work we had to do and our harvest was long and tedious beginning in the forpart of July and continued until some time in September (including both grain and grass) this is the longest harvest we ever had here. this was caused by being so few hands and no money to hire hands our money was so scatered on various improvements and such an expensive ingathering that at the end of the year we found our selves over a thousand dollars behind or in debt one side of our land payment

1858 January 3 Joseph Wesley Steker came back to believers
6 John Macbride went to the world
7 Mary Elen Stroud and Rebecca Adams went to the world
8 Matthew Traver went to the world
" Elizabeth Hill with three children went to the world
" Michael Brant went to the world by night taking some thing that did not belong to him
9 Robert Wilson went to the world
9 Mary Colcher set out with believers
11 Lydia Ann Steker was taken back among believers
12 Lewis Packer went to the world
" William Edmonds was taken back amond believers by Eyra Sherman
13 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn and took with him Charles King to live at White Water
16 Sabastian Birkley set out with believers
" Thomas Streets returned home from White Water having been
" gone 11 days
" Hiraram Hews taken back among believers
18 Eldress Sally came on a visit to Waterviet and to stay awhile she was brought here by Elder Brother Pillip Antes
25 Mary Ann Butcher united with believers with four children they were colored people
27 Richard Pelham and Ithamer Johnson came here from Union Village
28 Docter Macelhany from the Aylum came here to see Thomas Williams who is sick for some time and moved into his shop the sixt day of January and has become entirely helpless and it takes two brethren to get him out of bed and to lay him down again and cannot move his feet at to help himself
" Dianna Morehouse went to the world
30 Richard Pelham and Ithamer Johnson retured home to Union Village and took with them Eldress Sally who had been here sometime
" Thomas Streets was appointed farm Deacon
February 24 there came on a visit from White Water to Waterviet John S. Hobart. Eldress Sister Louisa Farham. Horner Hobart and Martha Hobart and to see their Mother at the Aylum
25 Moses Eastwood and two sisters Eleanor Jackson and Eliza Reed went a sleigh riding to Dayton they went by the way of the Springfield turnpike

1858 March 1 we kept in remembrence of Mother Anns birth day
we kept it as the sabbathday
4 verry cold 4 degrees below zero and on th 5. 2 degrees below zero
7 4 degrees below zero verry cold for March
9 Samuel Losa stayed with us over the sabbath day
13 Richard Wilson went to the world
18 Sabastian Birkly went to the world
" Leonard Belt brought his family here to get acquainted with believers
22 Marthe Havans went to the world and left her child
23 Ezra Sherman Moses Eastwood and Israel Trotter went to
William Rinhearts to get some Peachtrees
25 James Ball here from Union Village
28 Wesley Belt departed this life a child son of Leonard & Sarah Belt
April 2 Patrick Doub and Ever Williams went to the world
" Sarah Belt set out to be a believer
" Richard Pelham came here on busings
" Augustus Wolf came here to unite with believers and five children
3 boys and two girls
4 Christopher Elliot set out among believers
6 Henry J Kimberland set among believers
" Charles Ray set out among believers
Lydia Ann Stoker went to the world
8 Fanny Mecune set out only stayed a few day
9 William Green and Joseph Stoker went to the world
10 Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village
15 Hester Ann Pettit went to the world
16 Ministry returned home
18 Leonard Belt set out to believer
Richard Wilson took away thes two girls he brough here their names
were Matha and Saphrona they were colored people
21 Laury Chace went settle her busines
29 Raymoth Bunting moved from the north house to the center
30 Richard Pelham came here from Union Village
May 18 Augustus Wolf went to White Water to get informatory of
believers faith in the german language
18 Henry J Kimberland went to the world
23 George Pelford ran away to the world

1858 May 20 Elder Brothe Ebenezer Piece went to Union Village
22 he returned home and brought with him Silas Poor to make shees
June 1. Mary Ann Butcher went to the world and took her children
they were colored people
" Augustus Wolf returned home from White Water
8 Charle Ray went to the world
10 We finished shearing our sheep
15 Richard Pelham came here to stay over night and brought with him Betsy Lockwood
16 Silas Poor was taken back to Union Village
July 2. A new reaping Machine was bought self raker 160 dollars
" Worren Mccain came here and obtained a privilage ho from Union Village
5 Ministry came here from Union Village
7 Matthew Carter and Israel Trotter was appointed to drirect the harvest
Ezra Sherman was appointed to do the pedling
10 Ministry returned home to Union Village
12 Moses Eastwood went to Fulks to get some medicine for Thomas William there went with him Elder Sister Matilda Peggy Patterson Phebe Jane Tucker
15 Ezra Sherman tarted on a pedling trip but returned with out selling any yarn it being to early to sell yarn
22 Richard Pelham was here from Union Village
August 4. we began to thresh the wheat with Thomas Bridgmans machine and had much trouble with the wheat having stacked some of it verry poorly or only heaped it up and a heavy shower of rain came on it and wet it most all through and it had to be taken and set out to dry which took up much time and then some of it were spoiled
9 Ezra Sherman got a pattent bee hive and put the bees into it
10 Elder John came here and stayed one day
12 John Capick set out among believers
14 Israel Trotter Matthew Carter put a new fore bay to the factory
Ithamer Johnson and Daniel Miller stayed here over night
16 Sidney Davis or Dye departed this life she died verry suderntly taken sick this morning and and died beetween two and three o'clock
20 Amos Adams came here and set out
William Wiberforce and Coprick set out among believers
23 Charles Hampton and John Babit came here on a visit
25 George H. Ledderhose and Ferdinan Solling and set out among believers

1858 August 30 Cepas Holloway came here on his way home
31. Ithamer Johnson and two sisters Vincy Macnemar & Susan Liddle came here on a visit and went to the Yellow Springs
September 14. Richard Pelham and Oliver Hampton came here on a visit
6 The eastern Ministry came here they were brought out from the depot in Dayton by Matthew Carter and David Eastward they came from White Water the name of the Ministry Elder Amos Steward Daniel Bowler & Eldress Betsy Bates Eliza Ann Taylor. John Hobart came with them from White Water
7 The Eastern Ministry visited at the north house most of the day
8 Jethro Boyd came here with carriage to take the Ministry to Union Village Elder John came here from Northunion
9 the Eastern Ministry went on their to Union Village in the carriage that Jethro Brought here Elder John drove the carriage and Jethro Boyd stayed here on a visit
15 Amos Adams went to the world
17 John Copprick went to the world
20 George H. Ledderhose & Ferdinan Solling went to the world William Edmunds went to the world
22 there went on a visit from Waterviet to White Water Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice. Israel Trotter. Matilda Butter Mary Adams Hester Ann Revear Mariah Kripe
26 William Smith set out with believers
27 James Ryan set out with believers
28 Dennis MacBride and Charles Farrady came here to get a load of garden seeds and brought 14. head of yound cattle to pasture and feed they came with Eyra Sherman who was returning home from peadling
October 1. Ephraim Frost came here from White Water to make two bonnet looms for the sisters
2 the visitors from that went to White Water returned home
4 Alford a boy came to live with believers
6 Matthew Carter and Moses Beach started to White Water with a wagon load of garden seeds
13 there came on a visit to Waterviet Abner Bedle James Macnemar Eunice Patterson. Jane Buchannan and Louria Farington
16 the visitors returned home to Union Village

1858. October 21 William Smith went to the world in the night and taking some things that did not belong to him
22 Hesty Ann Pettit came back and got another privilege
23 the Ministry came here from Union Village
25 Phillip Antes on business
November 2 Thimothy Bunnel came here to make a smut mill for our mill
3 Ministry ~~are~~ returned home to Union Village
Nelly Jackson went to see her brother on Madriver on business in company of David Eastwood and Elder Sister Matilda
5 James Ball came here to help about the grist mill
6 Ezra Sherman sowed some late wheat in the ground where the potatoes had been ~~the~~ dug
James Ryan moved to the north house to saw wood tend the cows
12 Peter Boyd came here on business
13 Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice went to White Water and Ephraim Frost went with him who had been here some time doing some work
17 Timothy Bunnel and James Ball returned home to Union Village
22 Elder Brother Ebenezer returned home from White Water
John Malone went to the world
24 Raymoth G. Bunting and Charles Maccomick went Union Village to drive down some cattle for the White Water people
the snow is about 8 or 10 inches deep on a level
30 Raymoth Bunting and Charle Maccomick returned home and brought with them Malinda Watts on a visit and she got hurt by the carriage got thrown over
December 1 Euchine Shekan a girl was taken into this society
11 Julius Charles King unite with believers
12 Hester Jones was brought into this society by Eldress Sister Adaline
William Clark was taken in among believers
13 Malinda Watts was taken home by Moses Eastwood Peggy Patterson and Eliza Reed who went with her to Union Village
23 the Ministry came here from Union Vilage
24 Frederick Kromie came and united a while he is from Hancock in the east
29 Moses Eastwood started on a peddling trip to sell stocken yarn
" Hannah Stansberry set out to be a believer

1858 Sumary Remarks on the past year

The past year has been remarkable for the extreams of the weather the winter has been verry cold and long and the verry wet and backward spring and raining almost every day which makes corn planting verry late to the latter part of May and first of June the summer has been verry hot on the 6 of August the thermometer rose to 100 degrees in the shade the latter part of summer and fall was verry dry and fine wether for ripening corn and of all other fall crops and our deepest snow has been on the 27 of November thas we have had this winter following our crops has been moderate hardly an average crop and will have enough to do us with prudent use altho corn has been almost a failure in many parts of the of the county and scarse and verry high price from 80 cents to a dollar a bushels our crop of oats was tolerable good for this season best in the county we lost a good part of them by bad stacking and spoiled the oats crop has been a general failure by the rust it has been a failure throughout the whole county the oats has never been known to be struck with rust before our wheat has been good but has been some inguered by the by the rust and some loss by bad stacking or piling up before thrashing and a heavy rain wet it all through and it had to be taken down and set out dryed in the sun yet there were some lost of both time green and with all the loss we shall have about 800 bushels of wheat our potatae crop has been tolerable and shall have enough we shall enough to do us by useing sparingly our garden vegetables has been quite plenty and there has been about 800 dollars worth of garden seed raised this season and taken care of in good order. Our fruit has been almost a total failure altho there has been a few of apple and pears for kitchen use this failure of fruit has been occationed by the late frost and the canker worm wich is ravageing our orchards not only killing the fruit but the trees also and has almost destroyed our old orchard and a great many trees almost dead as to the improvements this year there has not any worth naming there has not building going on the builings that had been begun last year just as they were left last year having run in debt last year and the present year we lost 1600 dollars of money that we had lent out on interest by the men breaking up and not being able to pay the money this money we had intended to finish paying for the land that had bought but loosing this money we had to make it up some other way and put all our income of money to pay for the land and did get the

land payed for in due time and for this reason we could not make any improvements on the place nor finish those we had already begun as for the ingathering is much as it had been least year in the fall and winter there has been a considerable number gathered in of the poor wanderer and homeless creatures that want sheter for the winter and having little or no faith and when warm weather come they most all scattered and was soon gone

As to the health of the society this year has been good no catagious desease has been amongst us altho there has been one death in the society Sidney Die who died with some lingering disease some of the aged has been helpless Thomas Williams in his 77 year has been entirely helpless most of the year and confined to his room for more than a year and for nine month had to be lifted by two brethren up and down in the bed three and four times day always taking two hands to move him his feet and legs he could not move at all for about six months but is gradually recovering and gaining strength and action so that he is able to move himself so that one person could get him out of bed and there is hopes of recovery

Eliza Davis who has been for some years been suffering under sickness and weakness still continues much in the same condition with little or no hopes of recovering

Phebe Jane Tucker has been under lingering weakness for about 15 years not being able to do her part at hard laber as a sister but has laid in bed most of the time not willing take escersely any exercise she labers under nervious weakness or Nerralgia and low spirit

The remainder of the society has enjeyed uncommon good heath no fevers or agues amongst them and are enjoying the blessing of health

1859. January 3 Franklin Prichard set out to be a believer
11 Moses Miller stayed here over night he is out on a pedling trip
5 The brethren killed five beeves for our over use with the of Edward Newcom
12 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip having been gone since 28 of last december
13 Julius Charles King was sent away he had been a turnoff from W. Water
Ephraim Frost came here with a wagon loaded with wool and two barrels of Sorgum molasses
Cyphas Holloway stayed over night here
Franklin Prichard was sent away
Adolph Bock set out to be a believer
There came four sisters on visit to Waterviliet from White Water their name were Lucy Easterbrook, Margaret Denning, Susan Ann Easterbrooks, and Aletha Pacel
14 Henry Skull set out to be a believer
Ephraim Frost returned and took 50 bushels of oats & some other things
15 Anthony Piccard a bag was take in among believers
18 The White Water visitors returned home by the rail road for this the way they came here
31 Hervey Sheler went to the world
Charles Hampton came here and stayed over night
February 1 Earnest Lefrantes came here to live he is a turnoff from W. Water
2 Peter Boyd came here on business and informed that Elder John Martin was released from his ministerial office and that Aaron Balbet succeeded in that office and took Israel Trotter home with him
Ezra Sherman killed three dog belonging to Edward Newcom they were caught killing sheep
3 Peter Boyd returned home and took with him Israel Trotter
7 Hanner Johnson brought Israel Trotter back again
William Clark left this society by request
8 Huldah Jane Hugate united with believers she has three children
11 Ezra Sherman stared on a pedling trip to sell yarn /
15 Charles Preehold went to the world
19 Oliver Hampton came here from Union Village
21 Oliver Hampton returned home and took Israel Trotter with to live at Union Village having lived at Waterviliet two years and twenty six days

22 Earnest Lefrents left this society after staying here twenty one day making much confusion and disorder in the family and much diffculty with Christopher Elliot and swore his life against him and had him taken before the Squire
Christopher Elliot left this society on account of thes difficulties
Eryra returned home from pedling trip
28 Frederick Kromer started for home in the east at Hancock he started with David Eastwood went out to buy wool
March 1st the first was kept in remembrence of Mother Anns birth day it was kept as the sabbathday
3 Alexander Butler came here from White Water to get seats
8 Sheun took away his two daughters the olest returned next day
Eryra started to White Water on business to get some fruit trees
9 Charles Flagg came from White Water to Waterviet
10 Moses Miller came here stays over night he is out on business
11 Jame Ryan left this society his proper name is Michael Raynolds
Moses Miller is here again stays over night
16 George Waldaum set to be a believer
18 The Ministry came here to day Elder Aaron first visit
Moses Miller and Maria Doroty stayed here over night
17 Matthew Carter Eryra Sherman went to Dayton to court to appear against Earnest Lefrents who was trying to make some diffculty with believers
21 Joseph Agnew came here on an arrant from White Water to get some of the rheubarb plants
Isachar Tucker came here to see his Mother and sister
25 Moses Eastwood and Matilda Williams was released from being Elders in the north family and the family is left without any regular order of Eders in it yet we had to take charge of the charge the family and particular the aged people
26 The Ministry returned home to Union Village Our present Ministry stands thus Elder Aaron Ballet first Brother Peter Boyd second
Eldress Sally Sharp first and Sister Naomi Ligger second
Leonard Belt moved from Waterviet his family wife and two children
27 Ephrian Jones and Elizabeth Jones came a took away Hester a girl here sixten child
Thomas Street was released from being farm Deacon
Charles Flagg was appointed farm Deacon in Thomas Street place

1859 April 4. Peter Boyd and Richard Pelham came here from Union Village on business
6 Peter and Richard returned home
11. David Eastwood moved from the Northhouse to the office
13 Bernard a shoemaker united with believers
18 Matthew Carter. Elder Sister Adaline and Sally Mabride went to White Water on a visit and some business
25 Matthew Carter and Elder Sister and Sally returned home and brough Loisa Farnham to stay a while and John Sharp to work at the north house kitchen to put up th brick walls
12 John Starsberry moved to the North house to live
28 the brethren began again to work at the north house kitchen John Sharp is to superintend the building
May 2 Edwin Chapman a boy run off and was brought back by Thos Streets
5 Eyra Sherman and John Sharp took out the front doors of the north house and put in one door and two windows
7 John Gibson a youth set out among bilievers
we began our spring marketing David and Moses went to market
9 David Eastwood Louise Farnham Matilda Butler and Phebe Jane Tucker went to Xenia
10 Susanna Antes set out to be a believer with three children
11 Moses Eastwood and Wesley Slaker with the ox team went to William Davis place and got 50 bushels of lime for the new building and go the wagon got sick in the mud & there stayed all night
Joseph Detrick came here with two boys he is a carpenter by trade
14 James Mackison and John Adam went the world they were taken to the poor house
25 we began to shear the sheep
26 Marietta Agnew and Matilda Agnew was brought here to live by their grand Mother Rachel Butler
28 Albert Baker left this society
30 Thomas Streets fell from a cherry tree and hurt himself
This past month has been exceeding dry no rain at all a few light showers but not more than enough to lay the dust and not enough to make vegetation grow and is keeping vegetion back very much. the month has been rather cool and dry

1859 June 1 Huldah Hungate went to the world with two children
5 a severe frost this morning which killed the wheat in the low ground and rye which was just in blossom and all tender vegetation metons beans tomatoes corn was killed to the ground and the tops of the hedges were killed
12 Isaac Sayler set out to be a believer
13 The Ministry came to Waterviet on a visit
14 Adolph Pracht went to the world
15 Augustus Wolf went to the world
A number of the brethren went to Daniel Kisers to see the trial of reaping machines Elder Aaron and Peter Boyd went with them
18 John Gibson went to the world
19 Phebe Jane Tucker went to the world with Augustus Wolfs children five in number three boys and two girls and be come this stepmother
16 the Ministry returned home
23 George Wolbanum went to the world
24 There came on a visit from White Water to Waterviet Dennis Macbride John Wilson Davis Phebe Howard Mary Middleton Mary Ann Mackinny Lucy Childs Rebecca Macbride Jane Starky and two brethren from Union Village Elder George Rudisch and John Strang
27 the visitors returned on their way home
28 we began our harvest to cut the wheat
July 5 Peter Boyd came here alone
8 Fanny Shean went to the world
9 Philip Frenier and united with believers
16 David Eastwood fell from the top of the new building to the first floor and hurt himself considerable
Nelly Carroll run off this morning
22 The youth and some of the brethren to their pleasure ride
23 finished the brick wall of the north house kitchen
26 Joseph Detrick united with believers
we began to thrash our wheat with Thomas Bridgmans machine it is hired machine
29 finished thrashing the wheat having 1460 bushels
30 John Sharp returned home to White Water Ezra Sherman went with him to help him lay brick Elder Brother Ebenezer and Joseph Detrick also went with them

1869 August 3 William Wilberforce went to the world
5 Elder Brother Ebenezer and Joseph Detrick returned home
3 Ambrozen Harris returned to this society
Jame Darrow and Sand ford Russel came here stayed over night
Sarah Watson united with believer she has three children
13 Joseph Detrick moved here his house hold furniture
17 The young sisters took a ride to the Yellow Springs ~~[illegible]~~ David
Eastwood and Matthew Carter drove the carriges for them
18 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip the first this season
24 Lucinday Rogers set out to be a believer with two children
26 Moses Eastwood got home from a pedling trip
The dry house for drying fruit took fire and burned down
29 The hired men began to put on the tin roof on the North
house kitchen they put it on in two days
30. three brethren came here from White Water they was William
Prubush Washington Prubush and Edwin Bear they came
to bring Jame Hobart to the Asylum who was crazy
John Hobart came here in the evening
31 Moses Eastwood started again on a pedling trip to sell stocker yarn
September 1 The Ministry came here on a visit
2 Lucinda Stiters went to the world with three children
Lucinda Rogers went to the world with two children
6 Louisa Farnham returned home to White Water in company
Eldress Sally. John S Hobart and Lucretia Hobart
Rosella Collins run off but came back the nex day
Philip Frenair sent off to the world
7 Ezra Shermen returned home from White Water he had been
working there some time helping John Sharp laying brick
George Lederhose united with believers
Fardinan Soling united with believers
9. The Ministry returned home
Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip
10 William Brittain & Warren Maccane went to Union Village
to get a load of wood
Robert Banks set out to be a believer
14 Charles Workmen and David Burnet a boy came from
White Water to take home some young cattle that has been
here about one year

1869 Cyprus Holloway stayed here last night he is on business
15 Eyra Sherman started on a pedling trip
There is at present one case of the small pox in this society the first ever known it is Marietta Agnew a girl
14 Sarah Watson moved her house hold goods here to day
18 Godlief Nallrot set to be a believer
19 Isaac Tayler went to the world
22 Eyra Sherman returned home from a pedling trip
20 John Coppic went to the world
24 Elder Geerg Rubush came here and brough stephen Jones with him
26 Charles Flagg left here for White Water he is to go a seed trip up the Misouri River for the White Water society
Eyra Sherman started again on a pedling trip
29 There went on a visit to White Water from Waterviet Raymoth Bunting Fonces Vann. Mary Jane Lewis. Ama Belles
October 2 Robert Banks went to the world
The brethren bought mill to gring sh Chine sugar cane for making molasses and set it up in the grist mill
5 Eyra Sherman started on a pedling prip
6 John & Jeremiah Wolf returned to this society
7 the visit ors returned home from White Water Ama Bellis brought here daughter home with her
10 John Shulliers went to the world
Hellis Iry his family wife and two children came here to be believers from Indiana
11 Stephen Eaton with some sisters Silva Scott Manda Unsed Eunice Parkurst Adalene Macracken and black Lucy come here and stayed over night from the second family Union Village
16 Mahalah Adison set out to be a believer
18 Moses Eastwood went to Clinton County to Wellmenton to bye get some wool retured the nex day
19 Ashbel Kitchel and James Ball came to Waterviet on a visit
21 Ashbel and Jame Ball returned home
22 The Ministry came hire on a visit from Union Village
23 Joseph Detrick went to the world moved away his goods
25 Ramoth Bunting move from Waterviet to White Water
26 bought an electerising machine for the use of this society and paid 22 dollars for it

29 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
31 Ezra Sherman went with Hezekiah Grey int Indiana to settle his business
November 1 Moses Eastwood started on a peddling trip to sell stocka yarn
4 William Patterson set out to be a believer
7 Clary Fry left this society
8 Sarah Watson and Mahlah Adison left this society
9 Moses Eastwood returned home from peddling
11 Catharine Carroll went to the world
12 Sarah Watson returned to this society
17 David Parkhurst & Edwin Burnham stayed here over night they have been out selling cattle
19 Bernard Goodon was sent to the world
26 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village
28 In meeting this evening Elder Brother Ebenezer Rice was released from being Elder Brother at Waterviet and Matthew Carter to succeed him and fill his place and William Brittain to live with him and a gathering order to be at the north house and Ephraim Frost to be the firs Elder in that family and Moses Eastwood to stand with him
Ebenezer Rice and Thomas Street to move back to White Water
30 Elder Brother Henry Bear brought Ephraim Frost to Waterviet from White Water
December 1 Ephraim Frost moved to the north house to live and received the title Elder Ephraim and Matilda Williams to receive the title Eldress Matilda and Mary Ann to live with her Elder Brother Henry Bear returned on his way home and took with him Ebenezer Rice and Thomas Street to live at White Water
2 William H. Rich ard moved to the northe house to live
4 Ezra Sherman was apointed form Deacon and Warren Macane to assist him
Joseph Hornsby confessed his sins
Augustus Tippagan stayed over the sabbath day he is out on business
5 Joseph Hornsby becomes to the north house to live
Isaac Taylor began to take care of the boys
8 David Eastwood went Springborough & Union Village for a load of wood
14 Elder Ephraim Frost went Union Village to get a carpenter to come and give some instructions about the new building

1 Elder Ephraigm returned hom and brought with Daniel Sering
16 Moses Eastwood took Joseph Detricks children to him near Covington
19 David Eastwood Daniel Sering and Elder Sister Adaline & Eldress Matilda went to Dayon in a Sligh and brought hom Charles Flagg who had been up the Misouri River on a seed trip for the White Water folks
21 Daniel Sering and Elder Ephraigm went Dayton in a Sleigh
22 Matthew Carter took Daniel Sering home in the sleight to Union Village
25 Christmas day spent as the sabbath day
28 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn

Remarks on the year 1859

The winter was moderate and not much snow the deepest we had this winter fell last November and no sleighing through the winter the spring backward and cold and wet the Month of April it rained most every day and the ground exceeding wet the month May set in very dry not rain more than to lay the dust which baked the ground very hard June set in with some rain and cold the 5 day of June there was a severe frost which killed the wheat and rye in low ground which were in blossom killed so that there were no grain in the head which stood up and turned white it also killed the corn potatoes tops tomatoes beans and all tender vegetation and the tender tops the hedges were killed so that it did not need trimming and ingured the fruit very much this made corn late and the drouth continued very hard untill the last day of July when much rain fell which ended the drouth the remainder of the year was very favorable for crops of all kinds vegetation of all kinds took a fresh start and growed rapidly the potatoes which had mad a poor apperence the for part of the season now begant to grow and blossom and turned out a good crop the corn was not a half crop and being kept back by the dry weather and frost the wheat turned out well that escaped the frost the straw bright and clean but little or no rust our sorgum or suger cane was to late and killed by the frost and made but little molasses the broom corn to late and not worked only a part of a crop our hay crop very light and but little of it but what was of it was good and got in without rain the most the whole harvest was got in without rain our fruit crop was light being ingured by frost

1859 on the fift of June pears was an average crop and are as plenty as apples which is scarce altho enough for common use the fall of the year was very good for repening all kinds of fruits and grain but when December set in with great severity the first day was rain very hard and the second day turned to snow and hail and laid on the ground to the end of the year and part of the month was very good sleighing for some days and continued very cold without intermission to the end of the year and frequently below zero and some time 9 and ten degrees far below zero the coldest December month I ever saw taking the Month all through.

The society has made some improvement this year a large brick kitchen has been put up at the North house 30 by 66 feet long and covered with tin and painted and the building has been closed up window and out side doors put in and the joiner work is going on and the north house and to be organised for a gathering order and Elders appainted for that purpose Elder Epraugm Fast first and Moses Eastwood with him Eldrs Matilde Williams first and Mary Ann Duffy with her this is the present arrangment and the Elders of the other family are Elder Brother Matthew Barter and William Brittain with him and Eldrs Sister Adaaline Wills Matilda Butter with her this is the present arrangement of Elders in this society the former Elder Brother Elpezer Rice has been released and went home to White water to live

There has also been some improvement on the place a large ditch has been cleaned out through the prairy a half a mile long to let off the water from the prairy this was done by Gorret Herd a mill was bought to grind sugar cane and an apparatus to boil the juice and make molasses and three kettle set for the same purpose As to the ingathering has been the same as the two former years many gather in the fall and winter but gone in the spring The health of the society has been good those who has been weakly are on the mend and able to help them selves and there has been no death in the society the past year.

Thomas Williams who has been lingering so long is slowly recovering and able to go about over the place Eliza Davis is also recovering from her long protacted sickness and is able to work in the kitchen and makes it her steady business

3 William H. Prichard left this society and went to Union Villag
5 Moses Eastwood returned home from selling stocken yarn and brought back William H. Prichard from Union Villag to Watervliet he again got a privilage
12 John S Hobart Louisa Farnham and Lucretia Hobart come on a visit to Watervliet from White Water
13 John S Hobart brought his brother James Hobart from the Asylum to stay awhile at Watervliet
14 William Veitch set out to be a believer in this society
19 William Britton and Isaac Tayler took Louisa Farnham home to Whitewater leaving Lucretia here to take care of James Hobart
20 John Wolf left this society
21 John Brown and Israel Trotter came here and stayed over the sabbathday
24 Elder Charles Hampton and Jame Gillon came here and bought a horse
24 William Britton and Isaac Tayler retured home from White Water and brought two barrels of molases the water broke around the fore bay of the grist mill and done consierable of damage
27 Warren Mac cane went to Xenia with a load of broom
30 there were 40 yards of cloth stolen out of the factory and was found the nex day hid in the barn
31 there went to Dayton David Eastwood Nelly Jackson Jane Tucker Eldrefs Matilday Williams on businefs

February 1860

1 George Tayler set out to believer
6 Helis Frey was discharged from this society and was taken to Dayton by Elder Brother Matthew and Ephraim Frait after they had found him out to have stolen & secreted the money and carpenter tools that had been miseen for some time past and also the cloth that had been stolen from the factory
8 George Tayler left this society beforday and stole William Veitchs clothes and some money and made his escape could not be over taken altho persued by many

9 William Patterson left this society
13 Hester Ann Prevaux left this society and took her son Paul with her
James Maccane left this society
15 Moses Eastwood sarted on a pedling to sell slocken yarn
23 The Ministy came to Watervliet except Peter Boyd ex Elder
John Martin came with them he is latly from Kentucky
24 Moses Eastwood returned home from his pedling trip
Charles Flagg went Union Village to get some broom handles
and some wool from Springfield borough
Joseph Hornsby left this society
28 Charles Flagg returned home and brought with him 1200
broom handles and 300 pound of wool
John Martin went with sisters a pleasure riding
29 was kept as the sabbath in remembrance of Mother Ann birth day

Marck 1860

1 Isaac Taylor left this society
2 Moses Eastwood went a load of brooms to Xenia to sell
the Ministry returned home to Union Village
5 Abraham Scofield left this society
6 Frederick Bornemann came to this society a dutchman
12 James Mac cane left the sciedty a second time
17 Israel Trotter came here on business
John S. Hobert and Homer Hobart came here on business
Daniel Miller came here and stayed over the sabbath
19 Garret Hoard began to clean out the ditch between us & Eversal
20 William Brittain went to Union Village with Israel Trotter
and Daniel Miller to get a bull
21 Elder Ephraim Frost. Peggy Patterson and Ama Bellis went
to White Water and get an estate coming to Ama Bellis from
her Father who lived near White Water
William H. Prichard left this society
22 William Brittain returned with Sephen Easton & Timothy Brunnel
and brought no bull
27 Elder Ephraim Frost and Peggy Patterson and Ama Bellis returned
home and brought Daniel Serings with them
28 Elder Matthew went Union Village to John Hobart there Homer went
with them John S. Hobart being crazy

29 Elder Brother Matthew returned home from Union Village and brought back Homer Hobart and with them a bull calf

April 1860

3 David Eastwood took Daniel Sering home to Union Village
9 William Veitch left this society
11 William Veitch returned to this society
7 John Stansbery was sent to his Mother
16 Carles MacCornick chose Matthew Carter for his guardien
17 Matthew Carter took Charles and went Newport to attend to Charles geting his estate that was coming to him
19 John Hobart came here from Whit Water
21 James Hobart. Homer Hobart and Lucretia left this place with John S. Hobart for Whit Water out of union
25 Louis Farnham moved from Whit Water to Waterliet to live Mary Ann Mackinny came with her to stay awhile
28 Harriet Forest set out to be a believer she has a boy six years old named Hamilton
29 John Esiakier set out to be a believer
30 Daniel Sering came here with Beecher from Lebanon with five hand to plaster ~~our~~ our new kitchen at the north house

May 1860

2 the Ministry came here from Union Village
3 David Eastwood took Daniel Sering home to Union Village
Ithamer Johnson came here from Whit Water and brought with him Homer Hobart Lucretia Hobart and Marsho Hobart to stay awhile
4 there was a meeting held this evening in the Eders room of Elders and Deacons to agree about our building & temporal affairs nothing particular was conclude on
5 the Ministry ~~on~~ returned hom to Union Village
Jane Agnew took her two children away from this society
7 Charles Flagg left this society
8 William Worley came here to be a believer
16 James Well came here to make us a visit
17 Daniel Sering & Lewis Valuntine come her sayed all night
John S. Hobart came and took away Homer Hobart
Sarah Waton left this society and took her two children with her

1860 Elder Sister Adaline Well started for White Water with her
18 Father James Wells and took with them Elizabeth Bellis
22 Daniel Sering came here to do some work to our building to put some iron rods through it to hold it togeather
23 the hired men finished plastering our new kitchen
24 Elder Sister Adaline returned home with her Father and left Eizabeth Bellis and brought another girl Amelia Stensy the plasterers returned home to Lebanon

June 1860

1 John Kissel sets out to be a believer he proved to be a turnback
11 a heavy storm of wind some rain which blew down many of the appletrees and blew out one window at the north house
11 Ithamer Johnson came here to Waterliet to get evidences covering the Hobart lawsuit
18 Henry Hopkins united himself to this society
Lucretia Hobart and Marsha Hobart left this society with their Brother John S. Hobart who had been here since last Friday
19 Jacob Ballard left this society
21 John Kissel left this society
22 Ithamer Johnson was here from Union Village a boy with him
25 we began our wheat harvest
27 Frederic Borneman went see his family and ~~ran~~ never came back

July 1860

5 Moses Eastwood went Fulcks in company of Thomas Williams Matilda Williams and Betsy Hesipe
16 there was a heavy storm of wind rain and hail which broke the glass out of many of the window it came from the north
17 there was two storms of hail and rain and wind one in the morning and the other jiest after the midle of the day thise storms of hail done some damage to the fruit and made fall from the trees this is extronery for this time of year
Sydney Hopkins came to this society to live
19 Thomas Streets come here he has left White Water
26 Andrew Life left this society
29 Hiram Hews left this society
31 we began to thrash our wheat with Jacob Links thrashing machine

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1 Ebenezer Price Samuel Keesberry and Hester Frost came here from White Water

2 we finished thrashing our wheat

4 Lemuel Steats came here for a home and was taken in

7 Moses Eastwood went Fulcks in company of Thomas Williams Nelly Jackson Matilda Williams and Betsy Kripe

Moses ~~Eastwood~~ Beach left this society

9 Warren Maccane left this society

David Eastwood to Union Village and to get some wool on the way

17 Joseph Lees moved to this society

21 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn

23 the Ministry came here from Union Village

27 Lemuel Steats was taken away by his Father

28 Moses Eastwood returned home from peedling and brought home ~~100~~ 400 dollars Charles Maccomick left this sciety the 29th

30 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling to Willmington gone three days

Wesley Stoker left this society

September 1860

1 the Ministry returned home to Union Village

Moses Eastwood returned home from at pedling trip and brought and brought 61 dollars

4 Moses Eastwood went to Fulcks with Edry Matilda and Betsy Kripe and some others went part of the way to get elder berries they were Elder Ephraim Peggy Patterson Eliya Reed Harriet Forest. Sarah Ann Kripe

5 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn

14 Moses Eastwood returned hom from a pedling trip

23 Edward Chapman a boy run away from this society

25 there was stolen from the factory 56 skeins of stocken yarn and some other articles of clothing from this society

Frederick Faulhaver came here on his way home from Germany

26 William Worley left this society

27 a number of brethren and some sisters went to the Ohio State fair

27 there went again a number of brethren to the Ohio State fair Moses Eastwood Elder Brother Matthew Elder Ephraim Frost David Eastwood Frederick Faulhaver William Brittain John Isakier Francis Van Jacob Bonjet Jeremiah Wolf Anthony Pecord & John Anderson left this society

2 Elder Ephraim Frost started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
3 there cam on a visit from Union Village to Waterviet James Darrow Denison Bennet and Susanna Liddle · Rachel Duncan Mary Bobbeson · Ann Moriah Myres
6 the visitors returned home to Union Village
10 the young sisters took a ride up on Mad river Eyra Sherman and William Britain went with them to drive the carriages
11 Elder Ephraim returned home from his pedling trip
16 Rachel Butler came to Waterviet to live · Susanna Farnham came with her to stay awhile she came from White Water
17 Eyzra Serman finished thrasing the buckwheat 85 bushels
18 a man by the name of Brock bought ten head of sears from this society and Moses Eastwood helped drive them to John Murfyes place he paid 465 dollars for them
19 Henry Austin the shoe maker returned back having been gone some weeks
20 William Weck came here to live at Waterviet
24 Philip Antes came here on an arrant
30 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn Joseph Eastwood and William Poor came here on a visit

November 1860

1 there came on a visit from Union to Waterviet William Redman · Robert Vandiver · Eldress Sister Amy Slater Ruth Evens · Harriet Poor Diantha Poor
8 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip and brought home 468 dollars in money 242 pound of wool Philip Antes came here on business
10 John Esickier went with Philip Antes to Union Village to work in the factory as a hired man
13 a contribution was made for the sufferers in Kansas of two barrels of dryed fruit worth 14 dollars and one bundle of stocken yarn 60 cuts 7 dollars and 50 cents in all 21—50
15 William Brittain started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
17 William Brittain returned home from pedling
22 David Eastwood went to Union Village by Springboraugh to get a load of wool
28 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn

1 there came on a visit to Waterviet from Union Village Philip Antes and two sisters Mary Ann Hallen & Ellen Prof
5 Moses Eastwood returned from a peddling trip and brought home 348 dollars and 124 dollars worth of wool.
6 the Ministry came here from Union Village
13 Moses Eastwood was appointed trustee of Waterviet society
Peggy Patterson was apointed Ofice Deaconess and moved to the center house to live in the middle room first floor
15 Moses Eastwood moved to the office to take charg of the trustee order and burder of the office and to succeed David Eastwood who was relesed and moved to the north house
William Veitch moved from the north house to the center
Mary Adams was relesed from being office Deaconess and is faithfully Deaconess
The Ministry returned home to Union Village
18 Thomas Williams moved from the North house to the center house to live in middle room first floor north end of the house
19 the water raised in the creek and brake away the forebay of the grist mill and done considerable damage
25 Christmas day was kept as the sabbath day singing meeting at ten o clock in sisters uper east room and general meeting at one o clock and a singing meeing at six o clock in the evening at the north house
26 we killed four beeves with the help of Edward Newcom
29 Theopilus Parker and Henry Reckert came here from Union Village Henry Recker is from North Union and is on his way home and we paid him 70 dollars for Cephas or West brick this settles up in full all we owed them of the money that was borrowed from them in 1857 which was 650 dollars

The following list of names of the brethren and sister will show the strength and population of Waterviet at the end of the year 1860

Elders	Matthew Corter	1		Adaline Well	1
	William Brittain	2		Matilda Butler	2
brethren	Thomas Williams	3	Sisters	Susanna Farnham	3
	Francis Van	4		Mary Jane Lewis	4
	Joseph Mendoso	5		Louisa Farnham	5
	William Veitch	6		Rachel Butler	6

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Deacons	Ezra Sherman	7	Deaconess	Peggy Patterson	7
	Moses Eastwood	8		Mary Adams	8
Boys	Jeremiah Wolf	9	Sisters	Sally Macbride	9
	Jacob Banget	10		Emely Adams	10
	Anthony Pecard	11		Moriah Kripe	11
	Nathan Adams	12		Ann Anderson	12
	Amos Stansbery	13		Bethene Williams	13
	Edorus Forest	14		Ama Bellis	14
	Samuel Parker	15		Isabela Leturno	15
	Harvy Adams	16		Rosella Collens	16
	Timothy Dasy	17	Girls	Maryetta Stansbery	17
	William Bradwell	18		Elmyra Yancy	18
	Stephen Wells	19		Atzalia Bellis	19
	Hamilton Frost	20		Amaca Bellis	20
	Windfield Anderson	21		Elen Anderson	21
	Charles Anderson	22			

Brethren and sisters name at the north house

Elder Ephraim Frost	1	Matilda Williams	1
		Mary Ann Duffy	2
David Eastwood	2	Eleanor Jackson	3
		Jane Tucker	4
		Eliza Davis	5
		Eliza Reed	6
		Harriet Forest	7
		Betsy Kripe	8
		Sarah Ann Kripe	9
		Nancy Cunningam	10

Remarks on the past year

There are at present some hired men with us there are two men hired to tend to the cows for small wages 3 doll per month one in each family one shoe maker is working here working as a candidate this foregoing table shows the present strength and population and condition of Waterliet at the end of the 1860

The past year came in very cold the mercury was down to 12 and 14 degrees below zero which was the coldest weather we have had this year this year has been remarkable for the many hurricane storms and tornadoes of every discriptens and in

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1860 almost every part of the country has been visited by them and much damage has been done by them in many places in this place we had three storms of hail about the middle of July which broke about 100 lights of glass out of the window and done some injury the fruit altho the season has been remarkable productive the spring has been very dry the month of March was very dry cold winds not but little snow or rain fell this month and the roads were dry and dusty but the summer was very favorable for crops but not rain enough to raise the waters in the creek the fall of the year was very favorable for ripening all fall crops and gathering them in safly the corn had time enough to get fully ripe before the frost and we had a bountiful crop and our wheat was very good and we have plenty for our own use some to spare we had an excelent crop of potatoes and plenty of them and we had a good crop of buck wheat 25 bushels

We have had a bountiful crop of apples as many as we could take care of by drying and put away plenty for winter use peaches we had none they were all killed in the bud at the begining of the year Pears were scarce and but few of them smaller fruits and berries has been quite plenty

We had a good crop Chine sugar cane out of which we made 11 barrels of Molases and also a small crop of good broom corn

There has been but little improvement this year the new building at the north house has been has been plastered and the carpenter work has been done and some parts of the house have been used particular the meeting room yet there is some painting cleaning up to be done there has been some improvement on the farm some new fense has been built and much of the old fense has been reset and righted up

There has been no ingathering this year some few has come and gone and a number has left us which has reduced our number to 55 persons old and young male and femele the great excitement that was wrought up to such a high pitch of an ingathering of souls in the gospel a few years ago has entirely subsided and but few persons are admited even of them that apply because it is considered that they are not prepared or the time has not come for an ingathering and these winter shakers (as they are called) that come in the winter and go away in the spring are generaly counted very unprofitable members and thought best to exclude the most of them

1860 The financial state of this society this past year has been good with perseverin industry and some econemy we have been able to pay all our just debts and demands that has come against us and besides that we have been able to lay by 1000 dollars to lay wool next season to keep the factory going without going debt for wool and payed up all the money borrowed at Union Village except about 100 dollars and have raised grain and provisions enough for our own consumption without paying any money so that we can end year with some degree of satisfaction

as to the health of this society it has generally been good with the exception of some cases of Ague chill and fever in the fall of the year there has been no deaths in this society the past year and those who have been weakly and sickly and infirm are on the mend and gradually recovering and the society at this time is enjoying good health so ends the year 1860

2 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
14 William Britain went Union Village on business
Jeremiah Wolf was sent away from this society
15 John J. Nazan setout be a believer
17 Elder Ephrain moved his bench and tools from the North house to the wagon shop
22 we began to repair the head dam of the saw mill
February 6 Elder Ephraim & Elder Sister Adaline & Eldress Matelda Williams went to Union Village on business
9 Elder Ephraim and them that went with them returned home
11 Ezra Sherman & Peggy Patterson went Union Village to get artificial teeth put in. Sarah Ann Kripe went with them
12 Elder Aaron and Brother Peter Boyd came here from Union Village on a visit
Jeremiah Wolf returned to this society
13 William Brittain was released from being second in the Eldership and Elder Brother Matthew stands alone in that order
14 William Williams came here to see his natural brother Thomas Williams
15 Elder Aaron and Peter returned home to Union Village
19 Daniel Miller stayed here over night he is out on a seed trip
21 Ezra Sherman. Peggy Patterson & Sarah Ann Kripe returned home from Union Village
25 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
26 Marcah Cramer left this society

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2 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip
5 Moses Miller came here and stayed over night
15 Israel Trotter and William Macgladery was here and stayed over night they were out selling brooms
19 Israel Trotter was again here after appletrees & peachtrees
20 Daniel Miller came here late at night
21 Matthew Carter went Cincinnatia by rail road on business
22 Daniel Miller & Israel Trotter returned home to Union Village
25 Henry Austin a hired shoe maker left this place
27 Daniel Miller came here for appletrees

March 28 Daniel Miller returned home with 150 appletrees which settles off all that we owe them we gave them a barrel of Sorgum mollasses from the North house for the first order at Union Village as a gift to them for the loss of fire they have suffered
29 Elder Brother Matthew & Eyra went beyond Dayton fruittrees
Elder Brother Stephen Ball and Ebenezer Rice came here on a visit from White Water
April 1. Elder Brother Stephen Ball & Ebenezer Rice returne home
5 Elder Brother Matthew went to Germantown to get some grape root
7 James Smith set out to be a believer
9 Moses Eastwood went to Byron and Fairfield to sell brooms
10 Harriet Forest left this society
16 James Darrow & Oliver Hampton came on business
17 Two boys were taken to their Mother Elderus & Hamilton Forest
19 a hedge was set out South side of the turn pike by the peach orcard it was dug up from between the two orchards
Daniel Sering came here from Union Village
22 Daniel Sering returned home
24 Matthew Carter went to White Water to see about some money that was coming to Ama Bellis
26 Appletrees Peartrees puntrees are begining blossom and a prospect of a good crop of fruit
27 A hedge was planted on the east & south side of the wagonshop yard
30 we began our spring marketing for garden vegetables
May 1. The Ministry came here from Union Village on a visit
2 A severe frost this morning killed all our fruit
8 the north house folks began to use the new kicken and moved the table in the new Dining room
10 the Ministry retured home to Union Village
22 We began to shear our sheep
24 We finished Sheuring our sheep having 251 sheep
June 13. the carpenters began to frome the north barn they were hired men by the name of Prudicil this barn been partly framed three years ago
5 Moses Eastwood started out to buy wool to Hamilton
8 Cela Bernhart came here to be a believer

June 8 Moses Eastwood returnhome and brough home 401 pound of wool
12 we raised the north barn with the of our Neighbours about 30 or 40 men we had a fine day every thing went on well
13 Selah Bernard set out to be a believer
16 John Shaffer left this society
17 John Babbet & Stephen Easton came here on a visit
18 Stephen Easton returned home and left John Babbet here
21 three Sisters came on a visit from White Water their names Elder Sister July Ann Bear Elizabeth Rubush Josephine Dening the came by rail road to Dayton and hired a carriage to bring them out here
23 Peter More was taken in to this society a boy
24 Joseph Mendice left this society
25 Moses Eastwood started out into the State of Indianna to look for wool he went by rail road
27 Moses Eastwood returnd home but did not bring any wool
July 1 we began harvest to cut the wheat on the east place
2 Peter More left this society John Taus set out to be a believer
3 Moses East wood started out on a peddling trip to sell broom he went Richmond in Indianna
5 Moses Eastwood returned home
Anthony Pecord left this society
7 James Smith left this society
9 Selah Bernard left this society by night and stole some clothes and some other things
11 Moses Miller & Edwin stayed here over night
William Willberforce returned to this society
25 the Ministy came here from Union Village
31 Jacob Banjet left this society
August 2 Alexander & Elmon Buler came to Watervliet on a visit from White Water
3 the two brethren from White Water went Xenia on a visit with Louis Farnham & Matilda Butler
5 Charles Hampton came here to see David Easwood who was sick
6 Alexander & Elmore Butler returned home to White Water
8 we throshed our Wheat on the east place with Links machine

August 9 Charles Hampton returned home to Union Village Ephrain Frost took him home in te buggy
12 the dogs got amoneg our sheep and killed one doyen of them
10 John Anthony Frank came here to this society
11 George King came here to stay over night
15 Elmyra Yaney returned to this society
16 Anna Bellis left this society and took her two children with her
21 Moses Eastwood started out on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn this is the first trip this season
26 David Eastwood departed this life at nine o clock in the evening
27 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling ~~tr~~ trip and got home in time attend the burial of David Eastwood but not funeral
29 John Anthony Frank set out to be a believer
Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to the Yellow Springs Eldrefe Matilda & Peggy Patterson went with him
September 11 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
9 Leo Lemar set out to be a believer
10 there came on a visit from Union Village David Parkurst William Redman. Ithamer Johnson. John Isakier the sisters were Eunice Patterson & Susanna Broda. Mattaan Miller
13 The visitors returned home to Union Village
19 Anna Lane set out to be a believer.
Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip and gone two days to Centerville & Waynesville & Harrysbury
23 Matthew Paterson & Louisa Patterson came here to be believer, they had six children two boys four girls
24 The dog again got among our sheep & one dozen Oliver Hampton. Abiather Babbet & Samuel Losa also Israel Trotter & Philas Parker these came and stayed over nigh and returned home nex day
25 Matthew Carter went Germantown for grapevets or cutings
26 We kept as a day of prayer and fasting according to the proclaimation of President Lincoln of the United States
October 2 Ezra Sherman. John Nazan William Veitch & Matilda Bitter. Sally Macbride. Emily Adams & Isabel Letums these went from Waterviet on a visit to White Water

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October 2 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell yarn
5 Catharin Carroll returned to this society
8 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip
9 George Young setout to be a believer
11 William Derlin setout to be a believer
Andrew Slenty began to put a new shingle roof on the center house kitchen for five dollars & fifty cents a thousand he was a hired man
16 Moses Eastwood started out on a pedling trip to sell stocker yarn
17 Sarah Scanlin setout to be a believer with two boys
21 Lemuel Scates came here with his Mother and two brethes Lemuel remained and his Mother returned home
25 Moses Eastwood returned home from pedling
27 Phebe Howard came to Waterviet to live she is from White Water
29 Moses Eastwood went to Union Village with Eldress Sister Adaline and Ann Anderson to see about Phebe Howard who had left her Mothers in Franklin and came Waterviet she is some deranged
30 we returned home & brout Phebe Howard clothes from Franklin
31 Moses Eastwood · Ephraim Frost & John Noyan with three horse teemes went about 6 miles beyond Xenia to move a family to Waterviet by the name of Scates. Asbury Scates & Sophia Sates with six children we loaded up the three wagons and started for home and got about two miles and one wagon brake down one axletree and tongue we borrowed a wagon and loaded up again and got as far as Xenia with two teems and there stayed all night the other teem went on home

November 1 the two brethren with the two teems got home safe with the plunder and teems
2 Moses Eastwood & John Noyan went back to get the broken wagon and one load more of plunder and returned home safe the same day and Asbury along with us who had stayed behind to take care of the house
4 Asbury Scates moved his shoe makers tools to wagon shop in tending to work there in the upper part of the shop
7 Mary Jane Lewis went Union Village on horse back & alone Asbury Scates and wife went to settle their business
16 two hired men put the eve troughs on the kitchen

November 16 There came on a visit from Unier Village one brother and three sisters William Jening & Esther Davis Minerva and Perses Haag & Mary Jane Lewis returned home with them
19 Matthew T. Patterson & Louisa Patterson left this society and their children with them four girls & two boys
20 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell yarn The visitors returned home to Union Village
21 Richard North set out to be a believer
26 William Veitch departed this life in the evening
27 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip James Veitch came here to see his Father William Veitch who died yesterday
28 William Veitch was buried to day his funeral was at 10 o clock
December 4 Moses Eastwood went out on a ~~pedling~~ pedling trip to Yellow Springs and Xenia gone two days
6 Moses Miller came here and stayed over night
9 Elder Brother Mallhew and William Brittain went to Union Village
11 Rosella or Mary Elizabeth Collins left this society Compton and his wife came here to see believers Elder Brother and William Brittain returned home and brought with them Charles Ramsy
14 Edward W. Johnson left this society Jeremiah Wolf left this society
17 Lemuel Scates left this society Sophia Scates went her Father & Mother Eldrefs Matilda went with her
22 We held our yearly sacrafice
24 Stephen and Elizabeth Jones came here to stay over Christmas day
25 Christmas day was kept in a sober manner as sabbath day
~~2~~ 30 Thomas Embry. Sarah Jane Bata Fany Parker and July Parker came here to stay here a few days to see doctor Egry in dayton

The following list of names will show the number of brethren & sisters living at Waterville at end of the year 1861

Matthew Carter Elder Brother	1	Adaline Wells Elder Sister	1
Thomas Williams	2	Matilda Butler second	2
John Narzan	3	Mary Jane Lewis	3
William Brittain	4	Rachel Butler	4
John Parker	5	Sally Macbride	5
Charles Workman	6	Phebe Howard	6
Francis Van	7	Louisa Fanham	7
William Wiberforce	8	Emely Adams	8
Charles Ramsy	9	Catarine Carroll	9
Nathan Adams	10	Mercah Kripe	10
James Scanlin	11	Isabel Leturno	11
Amas Stansbery	12	Bethene Williams	12
Samuel Parker	13	Ann Anderson	13
Harvy Adams	14	Mary Ann Stansbery	14
Robert Scates	15	Phebe	15
Edward Scates	16	Elin Anderson	16
Timothy Dacy	17	Mary Adams family Deaconess	17
Thomas Scanlin	18	Peggy Patterson office Deaconess	18
Winfield Anderson	19	Elmyra Yancy	19
Theodore Scates	20		
William Bradshaw	21		
Stephen Wells	22		
Charles Anderson	23		
Ezra Sherman form Deacon	24		
Moses Eastwood office Deacon	25		

Northhouse brethren		Northhouse Sisters	
Ephrain Frost Elder	1	Matilda Williams Eldress	1
John Taws	2	Mary Ann Duffy second	2
William Durbin	3	Nelly Jackson	3
J. Anthony Franks	4	Jane Tucker	4
George Young	5	Eliza Davis	5
Asbury Scates	6	Eliza Reed	6
George Hogan	7	Sarah Ann Kripe	7
		Saphiah Scates and child	8
		Sarah Scanlin	9
		Anna Lane and child	10
		Sarah Scates	11
		Ann Marsa Thompson	12

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The past year has been moderate the winter was mild no severe cold weather the mercury not down to zero no part of the winter the Spring was favorable with some exceptions and spring crops got in good season the Summer was rather dry yet favorable for out door business and vegetation grew well The Fall season was very remarkable good for maturing and gathering the fall crops and particular corn was got in good order and in season

The crops were generaly good our wheat was not an averag crop the fly got in it the fall and injuryed it and a great deal of it turned cheat altho we have plenty for our own use and som to spare Our corn was a good average crop and we have plenty for our own use we had about 160 bushels of Buckwheat which was very good the potatoe crop was and average one and we have plenty for our own use we have also plenty of turnups and other garden vegetables enough for common use and small fruits such a berries strawberries Black berries raspberries and currents we have toterable plenty But fruit apples peaches pears has been almost a total failure altho there has been a few apple and pears on somes trees we had a fair prospect of fruit in the spring the trees were very full of bloom until the second days of May when a severe frost blasted all our prospects of peaches apples and pears

We have made considerable improvement particular in buildings we have put up a large barn at the north house suitable bath for horses and cows this barn has been on hands about three years having partly frame in the summer of 1857 and has been laying on hands ever since I hope the like will never occur again we have also put a new shingle roof on the center house kitchen which was done by hired men it was put on for 5 dollars and 50 cents a thousand and the men found both shingles and nails and put them on for that price We have put part of a new roof on the factory and one half roof on the old cow stable at the north house and made a shed at the grist mill to saw wood under with a shingle roof and weather boarded two buildings in the yard south of the kitchen we have began to make some improvement in fencing with stone posts stone in the ground and the upper part wood and some some stone gate posts one set of stone gate posts has been in the road at the north house

1861 remarks on the past year continued

We have done considerable of painting this past year we have painted the centerhouse doors windows and sash all round the house and the big shop or wood shed we painted all over and also the wash house and the office and we painted the floors and windows at at the north house and put in new sash and glass in the old part of the house and painted tin roof of the new kitchen

The health of the society the past year has been good generally no fevers or agues nor contagious diseases has been among us altho we have lost two of our valuable breathren David Eastwood and William Veitch by sickness David Eeastwood had been a steady member of this society for fifty one years he had been trustee in this society for about twenty years he had long been afflicted with the rheumatisms and finally turned to the dropsy which ended his life he departed this life August 26th

William Veitch who departed this life 26 of November was very useful man particular in the factory he was one of our best hands in the factory and his loss is much felt in that branch of business and he was also agreeable member of socity he was a young believer having only been here about two years but he gained union with all who were acquainted with him his son was sent for to come and see him but he did not get here until after his death but time to but time to see him buried

As to the ingathering of members into this society has not been verry great altho we have increased 10 members more than we had last year altho a number has gone away yet enough has come in to fill their places with the increase of 10 members

The financial state of this society has been good we have been able to make considerable of improvement in buildings and painting, the houses our factory has run tolerable steady and the yarn has been in good demand and we have not been able to supply call for yarn the war that the country has been involved has increased the demand for yarn we had 1800 ~~incomes~~ dollars to begin with this season to buy in wool and we are able to put away 1300 dollars to buy wool for another season and we have grain and provisions enough without buying any so we can end the year 1861 with some degree of satisfaction

1 Moses Eastwood went Dayton and brought home a machine to grind cards for the factory
2 Thomas Embry & Sarah Jane Dale July Parker Fanny Parker returned home to Union Village they came here the 30 of last month to see doctor Egery to get some medical assistance from him
6 John Neezon with the sleigh took two sisters to Dayton Peggy Patterson and Jane Tucker on business
7 Moses Eastwood sartied on a peedling trip to sell stocker yarn Ephraim Frost Asbury Seaton and William Brittain went to Springfield on business
16 Moses Eastwood returnd home from a peedling trip
20 Elder Brother Matthew & Charles Wortman & Elder Sister Adaline and Louis Farnham went to Dayton business
There come on a visit from Union Village to Waterviet Charles Clapp Gilbert Healy two sisters Elizabeth Fox & Emely Patterson and brought with them Reuben Wise and Jackson Macgowen from South Union in Kentucky they came into the State to keep from being prefsed into rebel army
23 The visitors returned home to Union Village
27 Anna Maria Thompson left this society
29 Manis Doherty came here to stay over night he is out peedling
30 The Ministry came here on a visit except Elder Aaron ex Elder John Martin came with them those that were Peter Boyd Eldress Sally Sharp Naomi Ligear and brought with them Fanny Parker a girl
31 Catherine Carroll left this society

February 1862

1 There were stolen from the shoe shop last night a double barreled shot gun one pair of boots two sides of uper leather Moses Eastwood was sent to Dayton to see if we could find any trace of the thief and to notify the police to look out for him Asbury Seaton and George Young went Xenia on the same business
John Layton and some of his relatives came here to see Thomas Williams Stephen Jones came here to stay over the sabbath day
3 Ephraim Frost went Union Village and Lebanon to get a man to catch the thief that had stolen from the shoe shop

4 Augustus Tipogan and William Jenning came here to stay all night they are on a seed trip
5 Moses Eastwood Matthew Carter Charles Wortman & ex Elder John went to Dayton on business
William Jennings returned home to Union Village
Caroline Friend came to the north to be a believer
6 Augustus Tipagan went on his seed trip out north
7 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
10 Henry Mendell came here to unite with believers
19 A steady rain which turned to sleet and covered the ground and trees with a heavy load of ice which hung on the trees four days and broke many of them down or limb broke from them
21 Ephraim Frost. Peggy Patterson. Matilda Williams & Anna Lane went Dayton to recover the property stolen by Ann Maria Thempson Henry Mendell went with them to Dayton he is going on to Richmond Indianna to find out about the gun and leather that was stolen from the shoe shop the 31 of last January
22 Stephen Jones came here to stay over the sabbath day
Henry Mendell returned home from Richmond
24 Henry Mendell went Greenville to find Jeremiah Wolf who had stolen the gun and leather from the shoe shop & we got out a Warrent to take him
25 Daniel Miller came here to stay over night he is on a seed trip
Elder Brother Henry Bear came here from White Water

March 1862

2 the ground is again covered with sleet and ice and the trees is heavy loaded sleet and ice
3 Moses Eastwood Eyra Sherman. Asbury Seates went to attend the trial of Jeremial Wolf before the Mayor of Dayton here we found Henry Mendell who had been gone since last Monday after the thief he came home with us
4 we returned again to Dayton to attend the trial of Jeremial Wolf before Grand Jury and remained all day and done nothing
5 We went gain to Dayton to attend the trial of Jeremial Wolf before the Grand jury and got through by noon and found Jeremial Wolf guilty of stealing the articel from the shoe shop

5 Augustus Tipagan and stayed over night
12 Matthew Carter went [illegible] to Cincinnatia to get grape roots and cutings
14 Daniel Sering came here on business from Union Village
21 William Wilberforce left this society by night
23 George Holden left this society and stole some things
A dog was shot at the kitchen door by Ezra Sherman supposed to be mad
24 Daniel Sering returned home to Union Village
26 Warren Cliff set out to be a believer at the north house
30 Henry Sawyer was taken into this society a turn back
31 John Baker a dutchman left this society
George Young started to Kentucky to settle his business

April 1862

3 Ephraim Frost went to the Yellow Springs to Stepen Jones to get some ceder trees to set out in the north house yard
7 The Ministry came here from Union Village
12 The Ministry returned home except Naomi Ligear
14 Matilda Butler moved from Waterlict to White Water to live
Charles Workman returned home to White Water
Naomi Ligear returned home with them to Union Village
Ezra Sherman went with them to bring back the carriage
15 Henry Sawyer left this society
18 Ezra Sherman returned home from White Water and brought with him two sisters to stay a while Nancy Mac kee & Eliza Mac guire and some evergreen trees
19 Moses Eastwood went to Xenia with three sisters to sell bonnets the sisters were Louisa Farnham Mariah Kripe & Isabel Letourno
23 Asbury Scates and family wife and five children left this society
24 snow fell four inches deep it was a singular sight to see peach trees in full bloom covered with snow and bending down with the weight of snow on them
29 Sarah Scanlin left this society with her two boys James and Thomas Scanlin

May 1862

1 Aman by the of Collins has within the last two days put up 382 feet of lightning rods to to north house and barn and horse stable and righted up some old rods

2 Moses Eastwood and Ephraim Frost went to Springfield to see the trial of two new water wheels by Leffel & Singliberger and to test which would come of best it was decided in favor of Leffle wheel
William Durbin left this society he was a Doctor
15 George King came here from White Water
17 George King returned on his way home and took with him Nancy Mackee and Eliza Macguire
22 Richard Pelham & James Macnemar came here from Union Village on a visit Richard is from Northunion
24 James Macnemar returne home to Union Village
27 Richard Pelham went on his way to Northunion William Brittan took him in the buggy to Xenia
28 William Brittain left this society
31 tw dozen bonnets was stole out of the market wagon last night this evening a storm of rain hail and wind which brok some glass

June 1862

1 The Ministry came here to day from Union Village we began to shear our sheep
9 we finished shearing our sheep having heared 245 head
10 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
11 Eyra Sherman was released from being ferm Deacon and Ephraim Frost was to take some burden of the farm
Anthony Frark moved from the north house to the center house
17 Harriet Forest returned to this society with her two boys James & Eldorus Forest
18 Moses Eastwood went to the Yellow Springs and took with him Eliza Davis and Mary Ann Duffy to see the Springs where the once lived they had not seen the Spring for 50 year
28 There came three sisters from White Water Polly Champlin Mary Ferady and Hester Frost who came here to live with Elder Sister Adaline
22 Mary E Bennett setled to be a believer
30 Moses Eastwood went to Dayton with four sisters two from White Water Polly Champlex Mary Ferady and Elder Sister Adaline & Emely Adams we went a visit and business

2 Elder Aaron & Peter Boyd came and stay over night and returned the next morning

4 Moses Eastwood went to Spring Vally to get the cloth that was dressed there Peggy Patterson & [redacted] Betsy Hartz went with him as far as Bellbrook

7 John Anthony Frank left this society

8 Moses Eastwood went to Hamilton to buy wool

10 The shoe shop was broken open and the tools were stolen from the shop and some leather

9 James Darrow and two sister came here Polly Taylor & Jane Ditto came here from Union Village on business

15 There is a new cooking stove set up in the center house kitchen set up by Gephart it is Stewerts patent stove see how long it will last

17 Moses Eastwood went to Middletown for a load of wool and came home by Union Village

25 Harriet Forest left this society

29 Peter Boyd came here to let us know that Eastern Ministry would be here to morrow and we were to meet them there with two carriage

30 The Eastern Ministry came here they were met at the depot in Dayton with two carriages the Ministry carriage drove by Peter Boyd and our carriage drove by Moses Eastwood Ezra Sherman went with us The Eastern were Elder Daniel Bowler Giles Every and Eldress Betsy Bates Eliza Ann Taylor and our Ministry with them they came from White Water by the rail road

August 1862

2 The Eastern Ministry went to Union Village in two carriages the one drove by Peter Boyd and the other by Moses Eastwood

8 we throshed part of our crop of wheat with Bridgmans machine

11 Elder Brother Matthew went to Union Village on business Henry Mendell went with him

13 Moses Eastwood started on peddling trip to sell yarn and to buy wood

16 Jacob Ballard left this society

19 Andrew Godlife left this society

21 Moses Eastwood went to Franklin to buy wood

28 Mathew Carter and the boys took a ride

4 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to the Yellow Springs and Xenia

5 ex Elder John Martin came here on business from Union Village and returned home the same evening

10 Moses Eastwood went Xenia to sell yarn and to fill a contract with Alison

13 Moses Eastwood bought a cider mill and press worth 35 dollars

19 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocker yarn and went thought Germantown on south

26 Cephas Holloway came here to day from North Union on his way home

29 Margaret Ann Bell Martha Lappin & Malinda Lappin came to this society to be lievers

26 James Farrell left this society

October 1862

1 The Ministry came here to day from Union Village our Ministry at present is Aaron Babbit Cephas Holloway his first visit with the Ministry Eldress Sally Sharp and Naomi Ligear this is the present Ministry

2 Asbury Scates Sophia Scates and with their family consisting of five children they came from Union Village

4 Bethina Williams a colerd girl left this society she was taken to Xenia by Mary Jane Lewis
Ezra Sherman with Cephas Holloway and Eldress Sally Sharp & Peggy Patterson went to Dayton on business

6 Ephraim Frost, Matilda Williams & Loisa Farnham went up north of Dayton to see a family of people called Lappin

7 Mary Adams moved from the center house to the north house to live second in with Eldress Matilda in the place of Mary Ann who is released from that order
The Ministry returned home to Union Village

8 Moses Eastwood went to Middletown for a redd of wool

10 Moses Eastwood & John Newgan went with two carriages to take evlever sister for a ride to the Yellow Springs and Stephen Jones on road to Fairfield and Dayton and did not get home until after dark

18 Elizabeth Lappin came to this society to be a believer with two children Thomas Lappin & Rose Lappin

24 An infant child was found in a basket tied to the stone gate post at the North house

25 Eyra Sherman & John Neeyar went to Union Village with four horses and two plows to help Elder John Morin at the west brick to plaw for wheat Eyra Sherman stayed one week John Neeyar stayed two weeks

29 Charles Clapp and Eyzabeth Far and Lydia Dodson came here to stay all night they came from Dayton having came there a some business

November 1862

2 Moses Eastwood to Dayton with Peggy Patterson & Sarah Ann Kipe to take in the infant child that found here last Friday a week ago and we took it on to the Infirmary or Poor house and left it there
Lemuel Scates left this society

11 Francis Roderick came here from Union Village on business

6 Moses Eastwood got ready to start on a peddling trip and got his horses hitched to the gate and they got escared and broke the gate and brok one of hounds of the wagon and Moses mended up and and got ready to start by the middle of the day and got as far as Miamiesburgh

10 Elder Aaron and William Redman came to Watervliet William Deame here to live

11 William Redman was appointed to be our first Elder of this society the title of Elder Brother has ceased among believers and the Elders are to be called Elders without the brother put to it

15 Moses Eastwood was released from the being trustee of this society and Eyra Sherman was appoint to take that place

12 Ephraim Frost and John Paus started on a visit to White Water Eldress Adaline and Emely Adams and Moriah Kipe went with them as far a Union Village they went to knit on a kniting machine

11 John Sowerburn and Catharine his wife came to this society to believers they bro had three children with them one boy & two girls

20 the visitors that went to White Water on a visit returned home William Jenings brought the sisters home from Union Village Ephraim brought a load of plunder and Nelson Atchison from White Water to live at Watervliet

21 Moses Eastwood went to Union Village to bring up th plows the brethren left there when they finished plowing
Stephen Easton and Thimothy Bunnel stayed here over night
22 Moses Eastwood returned home with the two plows and brough a man with me from the West brick to live at Waterville by the name of Edward Croft
27 was kept for thanksgiving day appointed by the Governor of Ohio we had meeting at nine o clock
28 Moses Eastwood went to Bellbrook and Spring Volly to sell yarn and to pay a dibt to Barrett
29 Ezra Sherman Francies Van and Nelson Atchison went to Dayton on busines

December 1862

4 We began to thrash our wheat with Thomas Bridgmans throsing machine a ten horse power and thrashed three days and a half
8 We finished throshing our wheat by noon having thrased 780 bushels having raised in all this season 1020 bushels of wheat
10 Moses Eastwood went to the Yellow Springs and Xenia to sell yarn and collet some money and pay the taxes in Green County
Johnathan Prudiel a hired man began to put a new roof on the meeting house and put it on in four days mostly with hired men the last day was rainy and some of brethren helped them
The old roof having been on 37 years and six month
16 Moses Eastwood went to Dayton with Henry Mandall and Nicholas Walch and took in 25 bushels of beans for the small beans 18 bushels he got one dollar and two dollars and fifty cents per bushel for the big beans one dollar and twenty five cents per bushel
17 William Thompson left this society
21 We held our yearly sacrafice and for all to open their minds and to settle all difficultys before Christmas
24 Stephen Jones came here to spend the Christmas day
Two men by the name of Sheep Shere stayed here over night with sheep they had sheep to sell they were from Kentucky
25 Christmas day we kept as the Sabbath day

29 Ithamer Johnson came to here to stay over night from Union Villag
30 Moses Eastwood started on a peddling trip to sell stocken yarn.

Remarks on the past year 1862

The past year has been remarkable for war and tumul and distruction through the land amed hosts have met in battle array and slain thousand upon thousands of their fellow beings christian against christian Father against son and son against Father brother against brother and each denomination of christians fighting against their breathren on the other side Catholics against Catholics Presbyterians against Prebyterians Methodes against Methodes and so with every other denominations of profesed Christians. Christ says a house divided against its self can not stand How long this ungodly war will last God only knows

The past year has also been remarkable for extreams of weather altho the winter has been moderate the spring has been extreamly wet cold and backward the months of March and and April rain fell almost every day which kept the spring crops very backward corn and oats was not in the ground until quit late the ground being exceeding wet the corn was not planted until most June the summer was a fine growing season until after harvest when the weather set in exceeding dry and the drouth continued on through the fall and ground became so hard that but little plowing could be done or wheat sown until late in the season and more wheat has been sowed in November than any other month this drouth has lasted about four month and the winter sets in dry and cold

The crops has been very good the wheat has generally very remarkable good throughout the county we raised this year over 1000 bushels of good wheat of the best quality our corn has been good averag crop altho it was late planted the fall was favorable for the corn to get ripe and dry our grass crop has been a good and abunded crops of hay we let considerable of our grass out to be cut on shares consequently our hay will be scarce for our own stock the oats was almost a total failure being struck with rust and and very little of it cut Our potatoes was almost a total failure caused by the great drouth that prevailed through out the land we raised but little over enough for seed another year Our fruit crop has been very good we have had an a bundence of apples to dry and to lay away for

winter use and we made about twenty five barrels of cider intending to make it into vinegar our peach crop was moderate being much ingured by the blight in June which caused the leaves and much of the fruit to fall off altho we dryed a number of barrels of peaches
Our smaller fruits were abundent such as currents strawberries black berries cherries rasberries and gooseberries we made barrel of black berry wine and a barrel or two current wine

There has been conciderable improvement and repairing done this year a good substantial dry house has been built at the north to dry fruit and the dry house at the center house has boarded up on the out side and new cider mill and press has been bought and about twenty five barrels of cider been made the mill and press cost 35 dallars
And also a new evaporater worth 60 dallars to accomodat our sorghum works for to make molases and a shed to set it under we made about ten barrels of molases for our own use our sorghum crop being moderate the early planting was good but the late was poor and ingured by the frost
We have repaired our grist mill put in a new water wheel and some other repairs which cost 170 dollars also a new shingle roof put on our meeting house and a school room partitioned off in the uper part of the meetinghouse for the purpose of teaching school in
As to the increas in numbers and ingathering of souls has been much as it has been for many years past numbers would come in the fall and winter and in the spring and summer would scatter out and be gone
The society the past year has enjoyed good health no deaths has occured in this society and no fevers or agues worthy of mention
The financical state of the society is good we are able to put away 15 hundred dollars to buy wool an other year and able to pay all our debts the money has been preciple made in the factory altho the exceeding high price of wool which has been from 60 to 75 cents per pound we have to raise the price of our yarn to 16⅔ cents per cut whole sale and retail at 20 cents per cut yet there has been a greater demand for yarn than we could supply we could have sold as much more than we have sold if we could have had it early in the season and so ends the year 1862

1 Ithamer Johnson returned home to Union Village
2 Dennis Macbride and William Macbride came to Waterviet on a visit from White Water
5 Dennis Macbride and William returned on their way home
8 Moses Eastwood returned home from a peddling trip brought home 7 14 dollars
14 Moses Eastwood went Germantown to sell stocker yarn and returned home the next day through a dreadful snow storm
19 John Brown came here to stay over night in a sleigh he returned home the next day he came after Moses Miller who was sick
29 Moses Eastwood went Dayton with four sisters Peggy Patterson Adaline Wells. Moray Jane Lewis and Ann Anderson they went on business they went to buy some dishes and other articels

February 1863

2 Ezra Leget and George Slade came here to stay over night
3 Augustus Tilagan came here to stay over night
4 Moses Eastwood went to Xenia and Yellow Springs to sell yarn and returned the next day and brought home 193 dollars
5 the snow fell to day about ten to twelve inches deep
7 Ezra Sherman and Matthew Carter went to Dayton in the sleigh and brought home a money safe it cost 22 dollars
12 Ezra Sherman went Union Village and returned home the next day and brought home a bull calf which cost 17 dollars
16 The Ministry came here from Union Village
23 There went on a visit from Waterviet to White Water Moses Eastwood. Nelson Atchison and two sisters Hester Frost and Rachel Butler. Nelson Atchison goes there to make it home but shortly leave them for the world
28 Moses Eastwood and the two sisters returned home from White Water and brought home with them James Ball who came on a visit and James Hunter came here to make it his home

March 1863.

1 The Elders and Deacons both brethren and sisters held a meeting held a meeting in the Elder Sisters room to lay out and agree about the business of coming season and to consider what was the was the most needful to be done
9 John Meeyan left this society

24 Moses Eastwood with Henry Mandell & Ephrain Frost went to Dayton on business and took with them William Broad berry and gave him up to the overseers of the poor he was a boy about ten years old

28 A meeting was held in the wagon shop by the stock holders of Dayton Waterviliet and Xenia turnpike company Edward Croft left this society

30 Moses Eastwood started to White Water to take Louisa Farnham there to see her Mother who was sick Stephen Well a boy went with us for company. William Hunter went with us as far as Monroe on to see his Father he never returned it was supposed he was a deserter from the army

April 1863

2 Moses Eatwood started for home leaving Louisa Farnham at White Water stay a few weeks and came to Union Village

3 Moses Eastwood returned home Elder Aaron came with me and Daniel Sering came in a buggy by himself to Waterviliet

5. Elder Aaron and Daniel Sering returned home

6 Philip Antes came here to stay over night

11 Moses Eastwood took a two horse load of wood to Dayton for the families of the ~~[illegible]~~ solders families who had gone to war and joined the procession wood haulers from the the county it was calculated that 200 cords of was hauled in to day

13 Ephraim Frost started to Hamilton to see some people there and bring home Louisa Farnham

16 Ephraim Frost returned home from Hamilton and brought Louisa Farnham home from White Water

17 Matthew Carter Ezra Sherman and Benjamin Moler went to Spring Valley and Xenia to see some patent water wheels

23 Daniel Rankins ~~w~~ came here and sayed over night a turn back

May 1863

2 Elder William Redman went Union Village in the buggy Daniel Sering came here from Union Village on business

4 Daniel Sering Matthew Carter Moses Eastwood and Ephraim Frost went to Dayton to see about geting a new cast iron water wheel for the factory

5 William Redman returned home to Waterviliet

5 Daniel Sering returned home to Union Village
7 We began our spring marketing Moses Eastwood & Ephrain Fr. went to Dayton to market and found the city of Dayton and Montgomery County under Martial law and the city of Dayton guarded by 300 hundred soldiers to keep the peace
14 Moses Eastwood and Ezra Shernan took two carriages and went to Mianiesburgh with two sister Matilda Williams and Mary Adams to meet the South Union visitors they were to be brought there from Union Village by Jethro Boyd & Amos Babbet there were eight of the visitors to wit Jefferson Shannon Samuel Smith sister Mary Maccombs. Eliz Rankin. Olive Shannon. Martha Trousdale. Saloma Davis. Sally Rice
16 The visitors from South Union returned to Union Village they were were taken to Centerwell by Ephrain Frost and John Sauerburn there met the carriage from Union Village
25 ~~Ephrain~~ Shannon came here to stay over night
26 Daniel Sering and Stephen Eastwood came here to stay over night
30 Phebe Howard departed this life at ten o clock this morning her funeral and burial took place about six o clock this evening she died with the sore throat or diptheria this disease is prevailing in this society most of the family has it more or lefs of it

June 1863

10 Stephen and Elizabeth Jones came here on a visit & on business
15 some hired men put a new coat of tar & gravel roof on the wash house
23. Hetia Rogers and her Mother came here on a visit from Hamilton
24 The Ministry came here on a visit to Watervliet
Andrew Smith came here and brough a load of wool from Union Village young believer order

July 1863

1 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
6 Jacob Ballard left this society
14 Moses Eastwood went Springborough and Franklin to get a load of wood
18 Elizabeth Lappin left this society
21 Elizabeth Lappins children went to Dayton to their Mother three girls and one boy
22 Janee Cattrell moved to this society with her children three boys and two girl

27 We thrashed our wheat on the east place with Bridgmans thrashing machine

August 1863

5 John Sourburn and the boys took a pleasure ride
8 Amos Stansbery left this society a boy
10 Henry Austen began to work at shoe making for this society
12 Moses Eastwood went to Germantown buy wool and sell yarn
Daniel Sering came here to stay over nigh with Timothy Bunnel
17 Mary Buckly and her boy left this society
18 Stephen Easton and Timothy Bunnel came here to stay over night
25 John Marter came here on business
30 A severe frost this morning done much damage to vegetation corn punkins tobacco and all tender plants were hurt this is the most sever frost ever known in August
31 John Preston Murfy left this society

September 1863.

1 Cephas Holloway came her on business
2 Ephraim Frost and eight sisters went on a pleasure ride
3 Moses Eastwood started on a peddling trip to sell yarn
10 Abram Scofel returned to this society
11 John Martin. Clarissa Potterson Sally Lucus Ann Poor came here on their way to North union Elder Cepas came with them to take the carriage back
12 John Martin and company went on their way to North Union Elder William Redman went with them
14 Moses Eastwood and Francis Tar went to Xenia and Yellow springs to sell stacken yarn
15 Mathew Carter. Adaline Wells Mahilda Williams Marjak Kripe Isabel Leturo went on the rail road to Cincinnatia on a pleasure trip
Stephen Easton Timothy Bunnel. Pfilip Ates came here to stay over night on business
16 Moses Eastwood went to Springborough for a load of wool and brought home 412 pounds
Edwin Burnham came here to stay over night

18 Jane Shad and Phebe Conton left this society
19 Elder William Redman returned home to Waterviet with John Martin and company from ~~Union~~ North Village
20 Ezra Sherman took the Union Village visitors on their way home from North Union in our carriage
21 Ezra Sherman returned home from Union Village
22 Moses Eastwood went Xenia and bough over 3000 pounds of wool at 65 cents per pound
25 There went on a visit to Union Village from Waterviet John Sourbern Matida Williams ~~Catherine~~ Sourbern and Anna Lane
Daniel Sering came here on business
28 Moses Eastwood to Milikin to by his wool 607 pounds
Daniel Sering went with to Union Village
John Sourbern and company returned home
30 The ministry came to Waterviet

October 1863

1 John Martin and Henry Ekes and eight Sisters on a pleasure ride from Union Village they stayed over night and next morning went on their way home
6 E. John Martin bought 19 head of our young cattle for which he paid 440 dollars
14 Luella Pigs left this society
15 Stephen and Elizabeth Jones and Hester came here on a visit
27 Matthew Carter went on a visit to Cincinnatie and and White Water and Union Villag
29 Moses Eastwood went to the Yellow Spring and Xenia to sell yarn
Eleanor Jackson departed this life she lacked on month of being 89 years old she was ~~the~~ buried the following day

November 1863

4 Matthew Carter returned home with Cepas Hathaway from Union Village
6 Ezra Sherman moved from Waterviet to White Water to live at his former home he went with Cephas Hollow

7 The society at Watervliet delivered in Dayton one cord of wood and 25 bushels of turnips for the poor and dstitute families whoes husbands has gone to war the turnips was delivered by Moses Eastwood and the wood by Ephraim Frost there were 335 cords of wood delivered in Dayton for the same purpose by the surrounding county and a great quantity of other provisions it was a general turn out through the county

9 Francis Tan moved into the office to take some care of strangers and to do som ament out in the world

11 There came on a visit to Watervliet from White Water - Joseph Agnew: Eldress Lucy Wodard: Fanny Ball Mary Fagady: Lucinda Packer: Martha Rubush and Ameta Dolson

13 The White Water visitors left here for home
John Martin came here from Union Village on business

17 Moses Eeastwood started on a peddling trip sell stocken yarn

23 Louisanna Stroud and Matilday Butter came to Watervliet from White Water part of the way by rail road

24 Moses Eastwood returned home from a peddling trip

26 was kept a thanksgiving day according to the proclamation of the Governor of the State of Ohio
Loisanna Stroud started on her way home to White Water leaving Matilda [redacted] behind

December 1863

7 Matilday Butter started on her way home by rail road

8 John Martin was here from Union Village and bught our young horse and took [redacted] him away

9 Daniel Boon put a new pump in our washt house with a copper pipe coducter from the cistern to the pump there has been tele pipes from the house to the cistern put in new this fall

10 Moses Eastwood started on a peddling trip

20 This day the society held their yearly sacra fice
The Ministry was here from Union Village

22 Moses Eastwood began to take care of the milk cows at the Center family for the winter
23 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
25 Christmas day kept as the sabbath we only one meeting at one o clock
26. There came from Union Village Elder Cephas Holloway Elder John Martin and John Tallen to chop fire wood for us and to help us along this is a free will offering
27 Lovina Rollens came with them for assistence
27 There came on mere recruits for the wood choping business David Parkurst. William Jennings. Robert Macelheny George Dill and a hired man by the name of Wilson Porter
28 The brethren from Union Village commenced choping on the sixty acre lot of land in Green County
29 Francis Van took Elder John home of the wood chopers
31 The brethren from Union Village continues the wood choping business so ends the year 1863.

Remarks on the year 1863.

The past year has been much like former year for war blood shed and carnage throughout the land of the United States of America the year began in war blood shed and distruction of life and property and war continues to rage with but little prospects of abatement 500 thousands more men are called for to continue the war

The weather of the past winter has been moderate and not one time down to zero altho the spring has been cold and backward and crops has been late puting in the ground and the summer dry and warm which kept spring crops backward and frost very early on the 30 of August a severe frost done much damage to vegetation and all tender plants and paticular corn was much ingured and not much over half a crop and but little or no sound corn could be found. wheat and oats has been an average crop potatoes not over half crop cut short by the dry weather the drouth continued through the summe and fall months and continued on until cold weather cold weather began

Our fruit crop has been moderate apples an average crop peaches not an average crop being much ingured by the blight in the spring which caused the leaves fall off many of the trees and also much of the fruit our small fruit or berry crop has been good blackberries has been abundent potates has not been over half crop the season has been too dry and not enough for our own use our hay has been an averag crop altho not enough for our stock and consequently we have had to sell off part of our stock so as we had to reduce our stock to the provisions we have for the winter. and our garden vegetables has plenty we had abundent crop of turnips more than what was taken care of

As to the increase in numbers and ingathering there has not been more than enough to keep up our numbers

The health of the society has been good with one exception in the Month of May the Diptheria or soar throat prevailed in this society to some extent but few escaped and paticular amond the sisters one young sister died with it Phebe Howard on the 30 day of May. there has been no fevers nor agues this past season altho there has been another death in this society on the 28. of October the 28. Eleanor Jackson an aged sister in the 89 year, she died with old age and infirmity she has been an old and respectable member of this society over 40 years

There has not been much improvement this year we put a new cast iron waterwheel in to the factory (Stouts Patent) but it was a total failure and a second trial proved the same result as the first. with but little or no improvement this year our financial condition is good having about 3000 dollars on hand thus ends the year 1863 with some degree of satisfaction to find our selve out of Debt or demand and to have something to begin another year. hoping that Providence will still continue his blessins on us and prosper our labors through another year

January 1864

1 Was one of the coldest days of the year and most suddent and severest changes ever known the last day of the old year moderate and raining untill about nine o clock in in the evening when a suddent change took place the wind turned North west and by next morning at six o clock the thermometer fell to 12 degrees below zero and 8 below at noon and 12 below at night. So that with 10 hours the thermometer fell 58 degrees or 60 degrees so commences the 1864

3 David Pakeste. Robert Macelhany. George Dill and John Tallon an Irishman returned home to Union Village these brethren has been here chopping wood the past week

4 Elder Cephas Holloway. Williams Jennings and Lovina Rollins retured home to Union Village and took with them Wilson Porter a hired man theses are the remainder of the wood chopers that came here last week

5 Thomas Bridgman began to thrash our wheat with his machine and continued most three days thrashing

12 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell yarn

22 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip

23 Moses Eastwood went to Dayton in the sleigh with Peggy Patterson. Sally Macbride. Isabel Leturno and Jane Coldrell. the snow has been 16 inches deep

25 Edwin Burnham came to stay over night

February 1864

2 Daniel Sering and Timothy Bunnel came on business

4 Daniel and Timothy returned home
Ephraim Frost and Nelson Williams the Lecturers went on a visit to Union Village

16 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell yarn

22 Abram Kofield left this society

23 Mariah Kripe left this society

28 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip
Edwin Burnham is here to stay over the sabbath day

29 There was a meeting held at the office after dark by the by the Dayton Waterville and Xenia turnpike company

March 1864

3 Moses Eastwood went Dayton with Eldress Adaline Wells and Mary Jane Lewis and brought home Meriah Lippe who had strayed away from home some time ago

8 Matthew Carter went to Union Village on business

11 Matthew Carter returned home and brought with him Fielding John to be a member of this society

12 Smith a hired man repaired our old cistern that is between the wash house and kitchen

14 The Ministry came here from Union Village

17 There was a meeting held this evening in the Ministry room by the Elders and Deacons both brethren and sisters to know the minds of us all about dividing interes of the two families and the majority was in favor of a division Terms of the division for the North family or young believer order to take the factory and two fifths of the property and a portion of land and the center family take farm and three fifths of the property and grist mill. And each family to do their own business seperatly

19 The Ministry returned home to Union Village

20 It was made known to the society at one o clock meeting that the interest was to be divided between the two families and that Moses Eastwood was to move to the North or young believer order to do the trading buying and selling and out door business farm and stock. And for John Sourborn to move from the north house to the center family and live in the office and act the part of a farm Deacon

21 Moses Eastwood moved from the office to the north house into north west room second floor with Ephraim Frost John Sourborn moved from the North house to the office and to be farm Deacon

28 We began to plow and break up our ground for oats & corn

April 1864

5 Moses Eastwood was called to attend Court as a witness to the plantiff in the case of a reaper and mower made by Dutton W.G. Davis in Co. and he attended for five days

11. John Carter left this society
12 Fielding John left this society
13 Moses Eastwood started a pedling to sell yarn and went through Bellbrook and Waynes Ville and Lebanon and on to Union Village to get some broom corn seed
14 Moses Eastwood returned home from Union Village
Jane Kelly or Worly left this society
20 Henry Austin was discharged from this place he was a hired man a shoe maker by trade after making some disturbance
27 August Althroff came here to be a believer

May 1864

1 August Althroff set out to be a believer
3 Ezra Sherman came here from White Water on business
5 Ezra Sherman returned home
11 Ephraim Frost Matilda Williams and Mary Ann Duffy went Union Village to see Richard Pelham they returned home the next day
16 The Ministry came here from Union Village on their way east
17 The Ministry proceed on their journey east they were conveyed to Xenia by Phillip Antes to the rail road who came with them from Union Village
18 John Bradman moved from the north house to the center house
19 A thief by the name of William Wilberforce was caught by John Bradman stealing chickens at the center house chickenyard and and took from him a revover or seven shooter and took him to the house and tied him in a room and left him to be guarded by John Sourborn until Ephraim Frost and John Bradman went to get an officer with a warrant to take him in hands but the guard fell asleep and the thief cut him self loos and made his escape before officer got here
20 Matthew Carter brough from Union Village a red Bull for the breed
25 Richard Pelham and James Darrow came here on visit from Union Village
26 Richard Pelham and James Darrow returned home
30 Henry Mendall returned to this society

June 1864

8 Jane Cottrell moved from this place with her five children three boys and two girls

21 last night some villain entered the horse stable at Center house and cut to pieces all the gears in the stable consisting of two set of wagon harness and five set of plow gears the lines were cut in short pieces not sparing the collars the damage over 100 dollars Sarah E. Linsey left this society

30 The factory was started to run with the new water wheel

July 1864

4 We began to cut our harvest both wheat and grass

5 John Martin came here from Union Village with a brother from Pleasanthill

19 This evening about nine o clock the grist mill was set on fire and burnt down except the water wheel which was saved this was done by some secret incendiary through malice the loss about 2500 dollars there was in this mill a sugar cane mill and works to make syrup and there was also a circular wood saw

25 John Denny left this society

29 we began to thrash our wheat with Jacob Sink, 10 horse power

August 1864

1 Sarah E Linsy returned to this society

8 The Ministry came here from Union Village except Elder Aaron

11 August began to clean out the big ditch in the pasture

12 The Ministry returned home to Union Village

13 A meeting was held by the by the Elders and Deacons of this society to consider the propriety of bying a steam engine to run the factory in the dry season which was agreed to get one

23 Matthew Carter and Ephraim Frost went to Hamilton to engage a steam engine and they went on to White Water

25 Elder Cephas Holloway came here with the brethren from market

26 Matthew Carter and Ephraim Frost returned home

27 Elder Cepas returned home

29 Moses Eastwood went on a peddling trip to sell stocken yarn to the Yellow Springs on Xenia gone two days

30 Frederick Faulkner came here from White Water and brought a cow and calf to change for our durham Bull

29 Johnathan Rudicil began to work at our new corn crib to hew the timber

1 Ephraim Frost and Matilda Williams Eliz Reed & Sarah Ann Lige went Dayton on a pleasure ride
Frederic Faulkner returned home to White Water with the bull and left the cow and calf
Ephraim Frost and the sisters from the center family took a pleasure ride
5 Matthew Carter and Ephraim Frost went Hamilton to get the new steam engine
7 The brethren returned home with the new steam engine
8 Joseph Agnew came here from White Water to take Ephraim Frost
9 Ephraim Frost moved from Waterliet to White Water to live he went with Joseph Agnew
15 we raised our new corn crib at the north with the help of some of our neighbours the crib is 20 by 30 feet on the ground
17 The new steam engine was attached to the factory and works well
21 Moses Eastwood started on a peddling trip to sell yarn
27 Moses Eastwood returned home from his peddling trip and he brought home 1430 dollars and 20 cts
30 There went on a visit from Waterliet to White Water a company of visitors John Bradman. Hester Frost. Mary Adams Emely Adams and Ann Anderson they went by rail road
Julia Rodger came here with a sewing machine which we sold to the north family for 58 dollars 25 cent
Mary Ann Macbride came to Waterliet to live

October 1864

4 The visitors returned from White Water and they brought back Sally Macbride who had strayed away sometime ago
11 Moses Eastwood went to Union Village with three sisters Adaline Wells. Louisa Farnham and Rachel Butter
13 Moses Eastwood returned home from Union Village and brought back Adaline Wells and Rachel Butter leaving Louisa Farnham at Union Village to go to White Water
17 There came on a visit from North Union to Waterliet by rail road from Hamilton they had been to White Water Moses Eastwood started to meet them at the depot but met them coming in a neighbours wagon there were George W. Eagles. Jacob Walker and sisters Lorry Hinton Hannah Devan. Susan Miner. Harriet Lodge

19 Moses Eastwood took the North Union Visitors to Xenia to the depot of the Columbus railroad and they took their passage home
20 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
27 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip and brough home 1500 dollars 97 cts

November 1864

1 There came on a visit from White Water to Waterviet two brethren and five Sisters Lewis Gorder. William Burnit the sisters were Polly Macclean. Hannah Jane Bryant. Catherine Ster. Mary Ann Wheeler. Angeline Macclean.
11 The White Water visit returned home by rail road
10 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell yarn
15 Moses Eastwood returned home from a pedling trip and brough home 978 dollars and 55 cent
24 We kept a day of [redacted] thanksgiving and prayer according to the Proclamation of President of the United and according the Proclamation of Governor of the State of Ohio
25 The brethren began to saw fire wood by steam engine at the centre family
The Ministry came here from Union Village except Elder Aaron
30 Moses Eastwood went on a pedling trip to Xenia Cedersville and Yellow Springs and Fairfield gone two days

December 1864

8 We began to saw fire wood with the steam engine at the north house Matthew Carter enginier
18 This day was kept the yearly sacrafice all were to open their minds
25 Christ mass day was kept as the sabbath day we had sining meeting at the center house and one school meeting at the north house
27 John Gray and Francis Van went to Union Village
29 Betsy First and son Hezekial came here to see Hester

1864 Remarks on the year 1864 (220)

The past year has been much like the two former years for bevar and blood shed through out the the United States of America war still continues to rage with unabated fury thousands of lives has been lost in battles and many have starved to death in prisons in the south millions of dollars worth of property have been destroyed

The weather of the past year has been remarkable for sudent changes to the greatest extrems from cold to heat from wet to dry the winter was very cold which set in on newyears day the Spring has been wet and backward so that summer crops was late getting in the ground the summer was very exceeding dry but little rain fell in the summer month the pastures dryed up so that cattle could not get enough to grass to eat but rains set in the fall which revived up vegetation very much and and the pastures were good late in the fall the cold weather set in

The crops has been cut short corn not over a half a crop and many places not any corn at all the drouth has been so severe. early potatoes were poor not a half a crop late potatoes turned out better an averag crop wheat was an abundent crop over an average crop though out the county oats was a toterable crop altho cut short by the drouth and garden vegetables were much ingured by the drouth

Fruit was scarce apple not a half a crop peaches none the trees were much ingured by the cold last winter pears but few cherries a total failure the were killed by the winter being so exceeding cold currants was a bountiful crop and made one barrel of currant wine blackberries a total failure Rasberries a moderate crop. Strawberries a tolerable crop altho some ingured by the drouth

There has not been much improvement this year the most that has been done has been in the factory a new cast iron water wheel has been put in the factory. A new steam engine was bought to run the factory in dry times which cost 1600 hundred dololers we have borrowed 3700 dollars to buy wool and to pay for the steam engine and we have been able at the end of the year to meet all demands and money to lay by for another year we paid for the most of our wool one dollar per pound and yarn 35 cts per cut retail 30 cents wholesale so our factory continues a profitable business our members remain much as they were last year or rather diminishing some comes and goes away as to the health of the society has been good no deaths has occured the last year and no sickness more than common so ends the year 1864 hoping Providence will continue his blessing another year

January 1865

3 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
12 Moses Eastwood returne home from his pedling trip and brought home 1782 dollars and 30 cents in cash
18 Elder Aaron and Cephas came here from Union Village
20 Elder Aaron and Cephas returned home
Moses Eastwood and four sisters went a sleigh riding to wit, Betsy Kripe Ann Layne Sarah Ann Kripe. Jane Lappin went throug Beavertown. Alpha. Zimmerman ville
26 This society was last night about one o clock was disturbed by a company of furloughed soldiers who knocked at our doors for admitence being almost frose we took them in and kept them until morning then gave them their breakfast and conveyed them in a wagon to Dayton they were going from Xenia to Dayton they were twelve of them

February 1865

14 Matthew Carter started White Water on business to Cincinnatie on business with Adaline Wells and Betsy Frost who had been here on a visit for some time
7 Elder Pumroy Root came here to day from White Water on his way home to North Union
10 Moses Eastwood went with the sleigh to Xenia to take Elder Pumroy Root to the depot to the cars for Cleveland on his way home to North Union
11 William Redman went to Union Village on a visit
Matthew Carter returned home from Cincinnatie
14 Moses Eastwood started on a pedling to sell stocken yarn
23 Moses Eastwood returned home from his pedling trip
26 Ephraim Frost came here from White Water on business

March 1865

6 George Pulleish returned home to White Water having been here since the 16 of last February
9 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village
15 William Redman was released from being the first Elder of this society and Matthew Carter and Moses Eastwood was apointed Elders one in in each family Matthew at the centre family Moses at the North

17 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
20 Thomas Williams and Peggy Patterson moved from the Center house to the North house to live
30 The water in creek was higher out of its banks than it has been for many years and washed off many of the fences

April 1865

12 The water is again very high in the creek
Sarah E Linsey left this society
13 Matthew Carter and Henry Mardell went to Springfield on business
18 Erastus Finny came to this society to be a believer
19 We held a meeting at twelve o clock at the request of our civil raler of the nation which was for al religious denominations of every sects to meet in their sacred places of worship and to pray for the protection of our our governor and ruler of the of the nation and unite in the funeral obseques of Abraham Lincoln the late President of the United States of America who died by the hand of an assasin
25 There came on a visit from White Water to Waterviliet George Rubush. Eldrs Lucy Woodard, Rachel Hall and Polly Burnham they came by the rail road George Rubush is remain here for some time
28 The Sisters from White Water returned home and took with them Julian Bear who has been here through the winter

May 1865

3 George King came on business from White Water
5 The waters in the creek is very high by the rain that fell last night it is higher than it has been since 1850 it done much damage to the mill dam and washed the fences and some of the bridges on the turn pike
22 August Allhroff left this society

June 1865

13 Judge Dunlavy and Johnne Martin was here sesating for the goverment tax or internal revinue tax they come from Dayton

14 The Ministry came here from Union Village except Elder Cephas Ashbel Johns brought them here
21 Peter Boyd came here w/ carriage to take Ministry home
22 The Ministry returned home to Union Village with Peter Boyd
24 Johnathan Prudicil finised covering the barn on the east place
22 George Prebush was appointed to stand with Mathew Carter in the Elders order and takes charge of the farm

July 1865

10 the dogs got among our sheep and killed and wounded about 20 head of sheep
30 being the sabbath day all hands both brethren and hired men turned out and worked in the harvest field cuting and binding up the oats in the field by the grainbarn we run two reaping machines and worked on until our down our oats were likly to spoil by the wet weather the harvesting were kept back that we had to improve the sabbath to save the oats

August 1865

10 the south family bought out the interest of the North family in the factory for 2500 dollars
17 We finished our haying and harvesting having been engayed in that business since the 27 of last June it was much delayed by the wet weather raining almost every day
22 Moses Eastwood went on a pedling trip to Yellow Springs and Xenia to sell yarn
23 The Ministry came here from Union Village
27 John Declemont came to this society to be a believer
29 John Anderson came to this society to be a believer
30 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
24 George Prebush went to White Water on a visit and there went with him Rachel Butler and Nathan Adams and Harry Adams to boys they returned home 31
31 Mary Adams moved from the north family to the South family and took with her two boys Frank Layne and Edward Lower Lower

September 1865

5 John Gray moved from the south family to the north family

8 James Darrow and Richard Pelham came on a visit to Waterliet from Union Village

12 James Darrow and Richard Pelham returned home

14 John Anderson left this society

16 Henry Mandall left this society

19 Moses Eastwood went to Dayton and took with three sisters to take pleasure ride, to wit Mary Ann Duffy Eliza Davis and Matilda William

20 Jane Tucker went William Marshalls see some of her relatives accompanied by Moses Eastwood. Peggy Papterson Sarah Ann Kripe

21 Moses Eastwood went with the sisters of the north family to take pride to the Yellow Springs the sisters were Eliza Reed Matilda William Catharine Scarborn Anna Layne Jane Lappin. Mary Ann Smith. Betsy Kripe

29 Lucretia Brown was brought to the north house to live in this society she was brough from New york by the children aid society

November 1865

1 We began to gather in the corn at the north family

3 There came on a visit from Union Village Levi Macnemar Eunice Patterson. Ann Mariah Myres & Susanna Hamtrah

7 The visitors returned returned home except Eunice Patterson who is a going to stay a while

Moses Eastwood went to Jacob Hikes and brought home 250 peach trees intendin to set out a peach orchard

8 Joseph Clousman was taken in at the North family he was a german a turn off from North Union

9 Moses Eastwood went to Jacob Hikes and 250 more peach trees for the new orchard which makes 500 trees

11 We finished geting in our corn

13 Moses Eastwood began to set out a new peach orchard by the turnpike east of the old peach orchard

15 Josep Clousman left this society

There came on a visit from Union Villag Marie Dorothy Eliza Hapten. Charlotte Johns

16 Eliza Davis departed this life about ten o clock this evening
18 Eliza Davis funeral began at ten o clock and her burial immediately after wards
We finished seting out our new peach orchard east of the old peach orchar by the turn pike
22 Benjamin Mels finished a new cistern by the dry house N. house
25 Moses Eastwod and Eunice Patterson. Peggy Patterson and Matilda Williams went on a visit to the infermary or poorhouse
27 Moses Eastwood was bite ly a dog on his right leg

December 1865

1 The Ministry came here to day from Union Village
Mary Ann Smith left this society
5 We began to saw our winters fire wood with the steam engine
6 The Ministry returned home and took with them Eunice Patterson who had has been here since the first of November
7 William Redman and John Coone came with some potatoes
7 We kept thanksgivin day according to the Proclamation of the President of the United States
Richard Lurk sets out to be a believer
6 William Redman and John Coony came here and brought some potatoes for this society from Union Village
24 We kept our yearly sacrafice.
25 Christmass day we kept as the sabbath day
28 Henry Bear and Ezra Sherman came to Watervliet from White Water on business
29 The old sawmill was taken down frome and all and moved to the north end of the old graine barn for a cattle shed and also for sheep. This sawmill was first built in 1813 and rebuilt in 1827

Remarks on the year 1865

The past year commenced like the preceding years began war and blood shed but war has ceased and peace has been restored by the north conquering the South and puting down the rebelian of the southern States and we hear no more of distructive battles being fought and peace reigns through out land of the United States of America

The weather of past winter has been moderate altho some good sleighing for this country snow laid on the ground most of the winter the Spring has been unusual wet and the waters in the creek has been several times very high out of its banks and washed away our fences and mill dams several times and more high floods than has been known for many years. and so continued wet that it was hard to get the spring crops in season and the summer continued wet and rainy the could hardly save our crops in harvest for it would rain almost every day so that to save our oats we had to work on the sabbath day This wet weather continued until about the first of September since then we have had very dry fall and dry on to the end of the year and very favorable for saving and ripening fall crops

Our corn and wheat has been remarkable good and abundant oats were good but hard to save becaus the weather was so wet potatoes grew well but lost most our whole crop by the rot which destroyed most of the potatoes through out the county. our fruit apples were scarce only enough for present use Peaches a good crop and abundant the trees were full and breaking down so that we had to prop them up and then off to save the trees we also had a good crop of pears our strawberries and current and other small fruits were a good crop the hay crop was very good and abundent

The health of the society has been good no contagious diseases has prevailed amongst us only one death has hapened in this society that was Eliza Davis she was aged respectable sister and been a resident of the place over 50 years No improvements have been made this past year and but little repair have been done. As to the ingathering there has been none except a few individual straglers happen to drop the same that has been years past

January 1866

1 We raised the frame of the old saw mill at the north end of the old grain barn for a cattle shed and sheep shed which was taken down last year
2 Henry Bear and Ezra Sherman returne home to White Water
5 Moses Eastwood began to clear a piece of on the east place for a new peach orchard
8 The directors of the Dayton Waterville and Xenia turnpike company held a meeting in the wagon shop
9 Moriah Bradman and her son Thomas came to this society
18 George Plubush & Moses Eastwood started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn and to look for peach trees

February 1866

8 Nelson Williams came here to unite with believer but was not admitted in to sciety
9 Matthew Carter went to Union Village on business
23 Moses Miller came here on business and stayed all night
28 Charles Clap and Thomas Embry was here on business

March 1866

5 A new bridge was a crost the for the turnpike Frederic Hawker superintended the raising the bridge
6 George Plubush returned home having been absent about two weeks on business
Richard Dusk left this sciety

April 1866

2 Moses Eestwood went Mumaus place bought 500 peach tree for which he paid 125 dollars to set out a peach orchard on the east place
3 The north began to set out a peach orchard on the east place
4 The Ministry came here from Union Village
11 We finished seting out our new peach orchard on the east place
The Ministry returned home to Union Village
12 Matthew Carter started for White Water by Cincinnatia
13 Susan Plubush and Julian Bear came here from Whit Water
18 Matthew Carter returned home
Harison Gordan return back from Union Village

20 Oliver Hampton came here on a visit from Union Village
23 Oliver Hampton returned home
24 Harisson Gordan so called was sent away from here his right name was Harvy Gordan

May 1866

8 John Denny came back to this society and got a privilege
17 Mary Ann Smith returned to this society
15 John De Celement left this society
19 John Stickelman a boy came here to see believers
24 We raised the new wash house at the north
27 Lewis Footy set out to be a believer
22 John Declement returned to this society
30 John Sticketman set out to be a believe

June 1866

6 Prasa Lappin came to this society to be a believer

July 1866

5 Lewis Footy left this society
7 Elder Cephas Holloway came here on a visit
10 Elder Cephas returned home to Union Village
18 John Bradman and his wife Mariah and their son Thomas Bradman left this society for home

August 1866

3 We thrashed our wheat and oats for the whole society with our engine and Links thrasher
4 John Gray met with a defeat going to market the wagon got upset and broke the top off the wagon
15 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village
23 The Ministry returned home
26 The order of meeting was changed our one o clock meeting to be held at half past two o clock and our dinner and suppers to be had at the same time as on week days
31 there came on a visit from Union Village Elder William Raynolds. Levina Rollers and Ruth Stibenstatt

September 1866

3 Elder William Raynolds and the two sisters that came with him returned home to Union Village
5 David Turpin was here from Union Village together herbs

9 Moses Eastwood went to the County Firmary or Poorhouse to see Rosa De Clemont with Matilda Williams. Peggy Patterson and two girls Rosa Lappin Lucretia Brown

12 Moses Eastwood went on a journey by the railroad to Toledo on business and returned next day

16 Jacob Diemer set out to be a believer

17 Nelson Williams left this society

20 Dayon was completelly overfowed with water which done much damage to the town

22 Moses Eastwood went to Dayton and took with him some sisters to take a ride and to see the distruction of the water had made the sisters were Jane Tucker Mary Ann Duffy and Matilda Williams

24. Barny Godtler and his wife moved here to be believers he was a shoe maker and mad our shoes

29 Jacob Miller set out to be a believer

October 1866

2 John Gray left this society

8 John De Clemont went to see his Mother in the Poorhouse John Demry went with him

17 Moses Eastwood went to the Ohio State Fair with nine sisters to wit, Matilda Williams. Eliza Reed. Betsy Kripe Anna Layne. Catharine Sourborn. Sarah Ann Kripe. Mary Ann Smith. Jane Lappin. Emma Hinkel from the north family

18 Moses Eastwood went to the Ohio State Fair with four sisters from the South family (to wit) Hester Frost. Mary Adams Rachel Butler and Mary Jane Lewis

30 John De Clemont left this society

November 1866

8 George Rubush started on a peddling trip to sell yarn

15 George Rubush returned home from his peddling trip

19 Moses Eastwood with Matilda Williams took Jane Lappin and Rosa Lappin to see their Mother whoever sick

26 John Demry left this society

6 George Prubush started on a pedling trip to sell yarn
The Ministry came here from Union Village
10 John Caldwell came here to stay
13 We began to saw fire wood at the north house with the engine
15 Moses Eastwood took Lucretia Brown to the Doctor at the Asylum with Matilda Williams & Peggy Patterson
George Prubush returned home from pedling
18 We finished sawing our fire wood enough for a year
23 We kept our yearly sacrafice
John Caldwell united with with believers
24 Moses Eastwood took Lucretia Brown to Dayton to Doctor Egery with Matilda Williams and Peggy Patterson
25 Christmas day we kept as the sabbath day
John Caldwell left this society or sent away

Remark on the past year 1866

The past year has been one of peace and quietes as to war altho the year has been remarkable for distructive floods of water thoughout the north and western States destroying much property both public and private great distruction of corn and other property on the river bottoms and low lands Dayton was completly overflowed with water by the uper heavy broking and leting the water in which covered most of the city filling the sellers with water and skifts and small water crafts could run through the streets and much damage was done to the canal and railroads and much lumber was washed away down the river This occured in September on the day that was appointed to hold the county Fair but it was posponed until october and also the State Fair
The weather therough the winter has been rather moderate excep one spell of severe cold weather in February which killed all the peach buds and most of the cherries there has been but little snow and the ground was mostly bear through the winter and the spring on till harvest was very dry but harvest set in very wet that it was difficult to save our grain and hay and continued very wet untill the end of the year

Our wheat crops was almost a total failure it was frose out in the winter there was little or no snow to cover it and it was a general failure throug out the county not wheat enough for to bread the inhaitents nor seed enough for another year and wheat is very high pice 2 dollers 50 cts to 2 dollers 75 cts corn has been a good crop a full average and corn is abunceden in the country a 50 per bushel.

Buckwheat was a good crop and plenty in the county it was sowed in abundence to supply the place of wheat which was a failure Oats was a full average crop but hard to save the weather was so wet

Hay was a light crop the spring season was too dry but some damaged by the wet weather in harvest

garden vegetables were plenty and in great abundence and much of it went to loss 50 bushels of tepytoes roted in the garden cabbage so plenty and no sale that we fed some hundreds of heads to to the cows

Our berries and small fruits were and average crop Black berries were plenty straw berries carse

Our apples a moderate a maderate crop Peaches none being killed in the winter

There has been some improvement on the place the past year the South family has paited over all their buildings the North family has built a new wash house 20 feet by 30 on the ground and two story high with a large cistern under it to hold rain water and and arch inside for three kettles or boilers with a cast iron cover over the arch and a cattle and sheep shed 150 feet long and 34 feet wide it stend at the north end of the old grain barn it was the frame of the old saw mill moved there and the north family made an and additon the dry house 20 feet square the ground and also an addition to our Peach orchard of 1000 peach trees and 800 trees were set on the east place in a new orchard

The health of the society has been good no sickness more than what has been common and no death has occured in the past year

6 John Kreiz or crofs a german united with believers
7 Matthew Carter and and Adaline Wells went on a vist to Whiter Water
Jacob Miller went to Cincinnatia on business
10 Betsy Reed moved to Watervliet to live from to the widow Stonebergers place
15 There went a sleigh riding to Bellbrook on brother and six sisters Jacob Miller the sister were Peggy Patterson Betsy Kriper Sarah Ann Kriper Anna Layne Mary Ann Smith Jane Lappin
Matthew Carter returned home from White Water and those that went with him and brought with him two two South buck lambs one for each family
16 Jacob Deimer went to Cincinnatia on business
Moses Eastwood went a sleigh riding to Dayton and there went with him Matilda William Peggy Patterson and tw girls Rosa Lappin and Lucretia Brown and got home by noon and Jacob Miller after noon took out the aged sister a sleigh riding into country they were Jane Tucker Mary Ann Duffy Eloya Reed Matilda went with them

February 1867

2 William Williams a natural brother to Thomas Williams came here to see him
8 Moses Eastwood took William Williams to the depot in Dayton to go on his way home
7 George Rubush started on a pedlin trip to sell yarn
15 George Rubush returned home from his pedling trip

March 1867

10 August Altroff returned to this society
19 Alexander Butler came here on a visit from White Water

April 1867

2 Matthew Cater went Union Village
4 Mary Ann Smith left this society
7 Lewis Howard united with believers
9 Arostus Fing and Hester Frost went to White Water on a visit they went by railroad

13 Issachar Tucker came here to see his Mother
15 Lewis Howard was dismissed from this society
18 Jacob Diemer left this society
19 George King came here to stay over night he is on business
30 Rosa Lappin left this society we took her to her Mother

May 1867

2 Ephraim Frost came on a visit from White Water
5 Hugh Boyl united with believers
8 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village
18 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
25 Ephraim Frost returned home to White Water

June 1867

1 George Rubrush had a call to preach at Union Village and went there with three sisters Peggy Patterson Mary Adams and Sarah Remains
4 George Rubrush and company returned home
24 Thomas F. Burns came here to unite with believer
17 Jacob Miller left this society
29 Oliver Hampton came here on a visit
Thomas F. Burn set out to be a believer

July

9 Peggy Patterson went Union Village with Betsy Real to bring up Richard Pelham
10 Richard Pelham came here on a visit with the two sisters that went after him
11 Cepas Holloway came here on business
14 Robert L. Patterson came here to see his cousin Peggy Patterson
17 Stephen Jones and Elizabeth Jones came here on a visit
22 Thomas F. Burns left this society
23 Richard Pelham returned home to Union Village Matilda Williams and Jane Lappin went with him
24 the two sisters returned home from Union Village and James Darrow came with them to drive the carrage and he returned home the next day
27 Licretia Brown left this society with Margaretson Smith
31 we finished cutting our oats and begun to thrash our wheat and oats with Lind thrasher the mine run by our engine

August 1867

1 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village
2 Ithamer Johnson came here from Union Village and brought with Erben Johns from South Union Kentucky
17 Philip Ater came here on business
20 George Rubush started on a peddling trip
29 James Mackinsie was discharceged a hired man
30 George Rubush returned home from his peddling trip

September 1867

10 Jethro Boyd and Joseph Eastwood came here to bring Betsy Lockwood here to live
11 Jethro Boyd and Joseph Eastwood returned home
Francis Van and Lonely Adams went on visit to White Water
13 Elen Olivet Anderson died a girl about 11 years old
14 The funeral of Elen Olivet Anderson took place at three o clock and the burial afterwards
18 Stephen Jones and Hester Jones came here on a visit
George Rubush started on a peddling trip to sell yarn
19 Jaseph Jackenskie came here to unite with believers
21 Cephas Holoway and Ithamar Johnson came on business
23 Henry Netman and another Duchman began clean out the big ditch in the prairy and to make it deeper
25 This day about four o clock nin carriages arived here from Union Village with about fifty persons in them both brethren and sisters they they had been at Ohio State fair and came here to stay over night they started for home next day about ten o clock

October 1867

7 The Ministry came here from Union Village to stay over night they are on their way to North Union
13 John Bowel united with believers
31 John Bowel left this society

November 1867

7 There came on a visit from Union Village James Darrow. George Clingman the sisters. Triphena Ball & Delia Miller. Lucis Johnson and Faline Girty
9 The visiters returned home to Union Village

13 There came on a visit from Union Village Ithamar Johnson Louria Dewit and Mary Middleton

14 Moses Eastwood went with the North house sisters to take a ride we went up the Covington pike as far as Jacob Hicks place the sisters were Matilda Williams Eliza Reed Betsy Kriper Sarah Ann Kaipe Jane Lappin and Lucretia Brown

15 Ithamar Johnson and the two sister returned home

17 Hugh Boyl united with believers again

December 1867

1 Thomas Williams departed this life at twelve o clock at night he was 86 years and one month old having been a member of this society 51 years

3 Thomas Williams funeral began at ten o clock and burial continued unted half eleven o clock

5 William Vance came here to unite with believers

10 The North family bought a new cook stove called the American cook stove

13 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village

20 The Ministry returned home

22 We kept the yearly sacrifice

25 We kept Christmas as the sabbath day each family had meeting home

Remarks on the year 1867.

The past year has been remarkabl for extreams of weather the winter and spring has been very wet and rainy and so wet that we could hardly get in our spring crops and continued wet until June and then dry weather commenced and continued extreamly dry untel the middle of October before we could get our wheat sowed our harvesting was got in without any rain both grain and hay except some small shower of rain enough to lay the dust this has been the driest year we ever had all the the crops has been good wheat was very good over an average crop our grass and hay crops was over an average

Our oats crop was excelent a good average crop and saved in good order our corn crop was good moderat crop for the season altho many crops was ingured by the draught particular that was late planted potatoes was a moderate crop some ingured by the drought the apple crop was almost a failure only enough for common use Peaches was plenty and full crop altho some ingured by the drouth and some of them dried up on the trees Cherries currents and other small frots were plenty There been some over an hundred acres of land bought this year and mostly payed for the Eversole form 90 acres and the Cavenaugh lot 12 acres

There has not been much improvement this past year the the north house sellar floor has been cemented and the south family meeting room and kitchen was plastered over again and the main ditch in the prairy has been cleaned out and sunk one foot deeper than it was before

The health of this society has been good except two months August and September most all the youth and children of this society had the fever and one girl died Elen Olivet Anderson she was 11 years old the remainder of the youth and children of the society recovered from their sickness there has been another death in the society this year Thomas Williams an age Brother 86 years and on month having been a member in this society 51 years he was a very industrous hard working man except the last ten years of his life when he became unable to work and part of the time helpless

As to the ingathering has been much as it has been for years past some coming in for the sake of a home and some going away the socity remaining about the same number as it has been for the last few years But there is none coming in under a sense of conviction of their sins and desiring salvation from their own lost nature

2 George Rubush started on a pedling trip to sell stocken yarn
John Neit came here to do shoes for the north family
9 George Rubush returned home from his pedling trip
10 Mary Ann Real and Catharine Real came here to see Betsy Real about her dowry money
15 Moses Eastwood went Xenia with Besy Real to see a lawyer about her dowry money Anna Layne went with us
20 Moses Eastwood and John Hivey went Dayton to see if we could find William Vanes who we supposed had stolen a gold watch from the north family and gave notice to the police to watch for him
23 The gold watch was found at the corn crib door

February 1866

4 Elder Cephas Holloway came here on business
6 Elder Cephas returned home
11 Elder John came here and stayed over night
12 George Rubush went on a pedling trip to sell yarn
19 George Rubush returne home from pedling

March 1866

9 Hugh Boyl and John Hivey left this society
14 Hugh McKenis and Charles Harvy Jones came here to live they are turnbacks from South Union

April 1866

5 Charles Harvy Jone left this society & stole some clothes
10 Hugh McKennis left this society
17 Ezra Sherman Wilson Davis and Dennis MacBride came here on business from White Water
22 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village Elder William Reynolds came with them instead of Elder Cephas Holloway
25 Moses Eastwood and Betsy Patterson and Matilda Williams went to Jeffersons place to find out which family of Pattersons an estate was comeing too from their fore Parents and it was decided to the family of Betsy

May

1 The Ministry returned home to Union Village Elder Cephas came for them yesterday

12 There came on a came on a visit from Union Village Charles Clapp and Louria Dewit and Lovinia Rollins

15 The visitors returned home

25 We began to plant corn

June 1868

1 Richard Pelham came here from Union Village and brought Elder Gorge Runion from Pleasanthill Kentucky

2 Richard Pelham and George Runion returne to Union Villag

August Geoty came here to unite with Believers

9 Anna Layne and her son Frank left this society

There came from Union Village to Waterviet on busines William Redman Eunice Patterson and Letty Lockwood to about an estate coming from Eunice Patterson Father

10 William Redman Eunice Patterson and Patterson went the Infirmary to see Cullerson Patterson

25 Johnathan Rudicil carpenter a hired man began to repair the old grain barn new roof and weather board

Moses Eastwood and Matthew Carter went to Frederic Hawkers place to help him raise a barn

29 Joseph Jackenska left this society

30 August Geoatz left this society

July 1868

4 Johnathan Rudicil finished the shingleing the big grain barn

10 We began our harvest to cut the wheat

16 George Rubush and Stephen Jones went to Union Village

26 A girl by the name of Atonesta came to unite with Believers

29 Moses Eastwood took our carriage and two horses and went to Union Village to bring up the Eastern Ministry and were accpained by our Ministry from Union Village

30 The Eastern Ministry arrived at Waterviet in company with the Ministry from Union Village Elder John Martin brought Easter Ministry in his carriage the Union Villag came in their own carriage drove by Thomas Johnson and Moses Eastwood brought the bagage and two brethren

Elder Jiles Avery and Elder William Raynolds 11 persons in company the names of the Eastern Ministry are Elder Daniel Bowler first and Elder Jiles Avery second the Sisters Eldress Betsy Bates first Eldress Ann Taylor second The Union Village Ministry are Elder Amos Parkurst first Elder William Raynolds second the sisters Eldress Sally Sharp first and Eldress Naomi Ligear second

31 The Eastern Ministry and Union Ministry visited North family and spent most of the day there and held a meeting there from two o clock intil three in this meeting Elder Daniel enstled Elder Amos Parkurst and Elder William Raynolds into the Ministry order instead of Elder Aaron and Elder Cephas released The Ministry sisters remained as they were before

August 1862

1 The meeting house was cleaned by order of the eastern Ministry for holding puplic meeting

2 Meeting was held in the meeting house with the Ministry

4 Moses Eastwood and George Rubush took Ministry to the depot at Xenia in a carrige and market wagon Moses Eastwood drove the carriage with Elder Daniel Bowler. Eldress Betsy Bates. Eldress Sally Sharp Eldress Ann Taylor and Naomi Ligear and George Rubush drove the market wagon with Elder Amos Parkurst. Elder Jiles Avery and Elder William Raynolds and baggage for the whole company and we landed them safe at the Xenia depot safe and ready for the cars to go on to Cleveland in good time

9 There was meeting held in the meeting house as an introductory meeting for holding puplic meeting at ten o clock George Rubush spoke in meeting ther was but few spectators ther has not any regular public meeting held in this meeting house since the year 1834 except on some particular occation

13 We began to thrash our wheat with Links throshing machine Georg Rubush started on a peddling trip to sell stocken yarn

18 Richard Pelham came here on business
20 Richard Pelham returned home to Union Village
21 A building was raised at the north house at the north end of of the washhouse for a wagon shed and corn crib and wood shed it was moved from the the other family
23 Elder Henry Bear was here from White Water on business
24 George Rubush returned home from his pedling trip
25 Israel Trotter came here with three boys from U.V. to geath bone set
31 Issachar Tucker came here to see his Mother

September 1868

1 A part of the Ministry came here to wit. Eldress Sally Sharp and Elder William Raynolds and brought with them Ephraim Frost to live at Waterviet
5 The Ministry returned home and took with them George Rubush and Louisa Farnham to live at Union Village and to be the Elders of the gathering order and left Ephrain Frost in George Rubusshe place Catharine Sourbon moved from the north family to the center family
19 Nelson Atchison came here to unite with believers

October 1868

1 Moses Eastwood went to Xenia with Betsy Read & Sarah Ann Kripe to see about the the dowry money that is coming to Betsy Read
2 Lurzelty Corman came to unite with believers
12 Moses Eastwood went with the sisters to take a ride the sisters were Matilda Weeliams. Eliz. Reed Bitsy Kripe. Sarah Ann Kripe Jane Lappin they went through Alpha. Byron Fairfield. Horshmansvill and they came round by Dayton home
14 Ephraim Frost started on a pedling trip to sell yarn
17 there came on a visit from White Water to Waterviet Elenezer Price. Daniel Starkey the sisters wer Eliza Hobart Amanda Rubusk Mary Dupde Delia Dayl and Matilda Butter from Union Village
20 The visitors returned on their way home

25 Public meeting closed for this season
28 There came on a visit from Union Village to Watervliet Daniel Miller and two sisters Lucinda Slater. Emely Robeson
31 Walter Clark came here to unite with believers

November 1862

11 There came on a visit from Union Villiage to Watervliet George Rubush. George Dirky and three sisters Aurea Dewit. Louis Farnham and Polly Mclane
13 The visit ors returned home
14 Stepher Jones came here on a visit from the Yellow Springs
16 Walter Clark left this society
18 Ryanka. B. Mofs came here to unite with believers
24 The dogs wounded and killed 12 sheep last night
28 The South family took their bull to Union Village to be changed for another bull

December 1862

12. The Ministry came here to Watervliet from Union Village on a visit the present Ministry are Thomas Parkurst William Reynolds the sisters Sally Sharp. Naomi Ligear
The two brethren Nathan Adams Nelson Atchison that took the old bull to Union Village to be changed brought back a young bull
6 We held our yearly Sacrafice in the followings order we we rose at four o clock in the morning and held meeting at half past four in the meeting roon we sung one song and breald down and then returned to our rooms all were to open their minds to the Eders and eat our meals as usual except super we ate bread and water and we were to say the following words O holy Wisdom we partake of thy blessing of our God in remembrence of thy never ending mercy and in obedience to thy righteous will
9 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
17 Ephraim returned home from a pedling trip
Ann Miller was sent to her Mother

Remarks on the year 1868

The past year has been one of moderation the winter was moderate weather the spring wet and backward and late in geting our spring crops the summer warm and dry in many places yet we had many showers of rain and some very hard storms of wind and rain with heavy thunder and lightning and the wind blew down our corn three times in the season the fall of the year was favorable for geting our fall crops Our wheat crop was a poor not over half a crop having been frose out in the winter and was late got in fast fall Our corn was excelent over and average crop the north family has about 2000 bushels now in the crib the other family has enough to do them Oats was good average crop potatoes are good crop the small fruit such as cherries was good and birries were abundent peaches are plenty Apples are scare and but few in the cnty almost a failure there has not been any improvement this year except some ditching in the prairy and some ditching on the east place there has been some repairing the big grain barn has had a new roof put on it partly new weather boarded and the cow barn at the center has also been a new roof put on it and the old chicken house was moved from the center house to the north house and a new roof and weather boarded and converted into a wood shed and wagon shed and a corn crib it stands at the north end of the wash house

As the health of this society has been good and no particular sickness or contagious desease been in this society the past year and no deaths has occured the year

As to the ingathering has been like the past years some comy in and some going away our numbers remain ~~[illegible]~~ about the same as has been for some years past

We had a visit from the Eastern Ministry who has made some change in the Western Ministry Elder Aaron and Elder Cephas was released and Elder Amos and Elder William was appointed to stand in that order

January 1869

15 Ephraim Frost ~~was~~ went to Union Village he was sent for by the Ministry

19 Moses Eastwood started on a peddling trip to sell yearn

20 Elder Amos and Elder William Reynolds came to Waterviliet and brought back Ephraim Frost

27 Moses Eastwood returned home from a peddling trip and brought home 432 dollars and 85 cts the expenses of the trip 15 dollars and 81 cts

29 The day was warm with frequent showers like April and a beautiful rainbow in the northeast after that some heavy thunder

February 1869

1 There went on a visit to Union Village John Sourborn Adaline Wells and Peggy Patterson

3 John Sourborn returned home from Union Village with the two sisters

13 William Redman and a boy came here and stayed over the sabbath day they are out selling garden seeds

26 Matthew Carter and Nelson Atchison went on a visit to White Water

March 1869

6 Matthew Carter and Nelson Atchison returned home from White Water Fanny Ball came with them

9 Francis Van-Charles Romain and Hester Frost went to Union Village on a visit

20 Ithamer Johnson and Levind Collins came here and brought home Hester Frost from Union Village

26 Ergastus Fenny departed this life at two o clock this morning in his 79 year of his age and his funeral took place between three and four o clock and buried the same evening

29 Fanny Ball returned home to White Water having been since last march

April

8 Matthew Carter went Union Village to take to take Levina Bollins home Peggy Patterson and Rachel Butler went with them

9 Ann Mofs came here to see her daughter Bianka B. Mofs

20 Moses Eastwood went with the two horse carriage to Dayton to bring out the Ministry from Union Village they came up the rail road the present Ministry are Elder Amos Parkurst. Elder William Reynolds and Eldress Sally Sharp and Naomi Liggar

21 Moses Eastwood took in Jane Lappin into Dayton to see her Mother who was dying she was dead before she got there Matilda Williams and Peggy Patterson went with them

22 Moses Eastwood took Jane Lappin into Dayton to attend her Mothers funeral and burial and Matilda Williams went them

27 The Ministry returned by the rail road and Matthew Carter took them to the depot Nelson Atchison went Cincinnatia

May 1869

4 Elder Amos Parkst came on busines

6 A man by the name of Pickering put lighting rods to the grain barn for 22 dollars

7 Matthew Carter took Elder Amos hom

13 Nelson Atchison went White Water to put in artificil teeth for them Mary Jane Lewis went with them they went in a wagon drove by Alexander Butler who came for him he came here yesterday

June 1869

3 Moses Miller came here and brought Eunice Patterson and Letty Lockwood from Union Village

4 Moses Miller and Eunice Patterson and Peggy went to Bellbrook to see Robert Patterson concerninong the Patterson estate

5 Moses Eastwood and Moses Miller and Eunice Patterson and Peggy Patterson went to Dayton to see Charles Wright about the Patterson estate
6 Cubber Patterson with Davison to see his sister Eunic Patterson
7 Moses Miller returned home with the two sister that came with him
13 Thomas Hull unted with believers
16 Horton Patterson came here to see Peggy Patterson
17 Thomas Hull left this society
Peggy Patterson and Betsy Peal went to Union Villag to take Horton Patterson to se Eunic Patterson
19 Isaac Pshawn came here to get a priviledge among believers he is a lugeback from Plesonthill

July 1869

3 Oliver Hampton came here and stayed over sabbath
5 began to cut our wheat harvest
10 Elizabeth Dagget came here to unite with believers but did not stay long
13 Nelson Atkison returned home from White Water

August 1869

14 Stepen Jones came here on a visit
16 Elizabeth Lockwood left this society
20 Matthew Carter went to Union Village on business and returned home next day
25 Isabele Letourno left this society
Matthew Carter and Nathan Adams and Adaline Wells and Elmyra Yaney went to Lincinta on a visit
27 Elizabeth Mose left this society
30 Moses Eastwood went Union Village to get a Pedigree for a Bull sold to George Elsten and he returned home next day Joseph Eastwood cam here with him
John Myres came here to unite with believers

1869

September 1869

1 The Ministry came here from Union Village
5 Joseph Eastwood returned home
6 John Myres was mising this morning he went away last night
The dogs got among our sheep killed and waundd ten
11 the ministray returned home
14 There went on a visit from Waterviet to North Union two brethren and six sisters the brethren were Matthew Carter and August Altwoff the sisters were Hester Frost. Mary Adams Eernety Adams. Molly Macbride Mariah Hripe Mary Ann Stersbery the went by the railroad and took the cars at Xenia
23 Matthew Carter and the visitors that went to North Union returned hime Freeman Philips came with them on busines
29 There came on a visit from Union Village John Myres. Louisa Farnham. Ruth Webster and Angeline Maclane

October 1869

2 The visitors from Union Village returned home
5 Francis Roderick came here with wool from Union Village
7 Moses Eastwood went with th sisters to take a ride they went Dayton Harsmanville and Fairfield the sisters were Matilda Williams Jane Lappin Bryanka Bell Mos. Luzyetta Corman and Lucretia Brown
14 there went to Union Village to take a ride John Cesman and th sisters Adaline Wells Martha Eers Florence Bascom & Catharine Sourborn Junior, they came back th 16
18 Moses Miller came here for some ladder that was made here for Union Village
20 Charles E. Wright came here to see Margaret Pallers on Ephraim Frost returned home from a peddling trip

28 the dogs got among the sheep and killed 13 sheep or wounded them so thay had to be killed and the dog killed a number of sheep at the other family and I sold the the remander of the sheep to Edward Newcom and quet keeping altogeath

November 1869

5 Stephen and Elizbeth Jones stayed here last night
7 William Tonkin Smith united with believers
2 Moses Eastwood and four sisters went to see the soldiers home the sisters were Jane Tucker Peggy Patterson Mary Ann Duffy and Mary Haselden
17 the North family took in a boy on tryal Charles Steward
23 Nelson Atchison returned home to Waterliet from White Water where he had been putting artificial teeth for the society John Atchison and Edwards Lucy Woodard ~~came~~ Margaret Nichals came with him on a visit

December 1869

15 Ephraim Frost started on a peddling trip to sell stocker yarn
18 Rachel Prowser came here to unite with believers
22 The peddling wagon returned home drove by Alexander Butler instead Ephraim Frost who was left at Whit Water lame with a strained ankel
24 The brethren and sisters from the south family came the the north about seven o clock in the evening and had a meeting some singing and dancing Alexander Butler returned home to White Water and Amelia Dodson with him who had been here some time teaching school from White Water Ephraim Frost returned home he had been lest at White Water lame when Alexander brough home the wagon
25 Christmas day was kept as the sabbath day both families met at the north house for meeting
31 The Ministry came to Waterviet on visit

Remarks on the year 1869

The past year has been much like the years that preceded it the winter was moderate no very severe cold weather the spring of the year was very wet cold and backward the spring crops was very late geting them into the ground the summer was very dry altho some showers of rain the fall was very wet changable from rain to snow and fresing and the most changable weather I ever saw winter set in early and bad weather to get in corn crops the corn crops was not a common average crop through the country Wheat was good and an exelent crop through out the country oats was a good average crop potatoes was a moderate crop yet of a good quality our fruit crop was good apples and peaches plenty and at north family dryed about 30 barrels apples and 6 barrels of peaches pears were good crop black berries were in great abundence and all small fruits and berries were plentyful There has not been much improvement this year but cosiderabe of repairing has been done at both families the old center house received a new shingle roof and the wash house the tar roof was taken off and a shingle roof was put on and also the corn crib the roofs was both were raised and a shingle roof put on a new wash mill begun and a cosidable new post and pine plank fense has been made the north family's buildings has been painted over and the old calf stabl has been weather boarded with pine plank and the house on the east place has been newly weath boarded and painted the health of this society has been good one death has occured in this year Erastus Perry in his 79th year having only with us but a few years As to the ingathering of souls has been much as it has been years past some coming in and some going out still our numbers remain about what it has been some years past

January 1870

2 We kept our yearly sacrafice no particular serersmanies were required all were to open their minds and confs all their sins

5 Moses Eastwood went with the young sisters to take a sleigh ride in the two horse sleigh the sisters were Matilda Williams Jane Lappin Byanka Bell Mafs Luzzetta Corman and Lucretia Brown they returned about noon

10 The Ministry returned home to Union Villag having been here since the 31 of December

13 Ephraim Frost started on a peddling trip to sell stacker yarn

20 Ephraim Frost returned home from his peddling trip

31 Elder Amos Parkist and Elder William Reynold came here on business

February 1870

1 A new engine was put into the washing and for sawing fire wood and other purposes Elder Amos and Elder William returned home

2 Rachel Prowser went crazy and caused some trouble in the family

3 Moses Eastwood put Rachel Prowser into the Lunitic Asylum with the help of John Lesman & Eldmore Smith after she was examined by the Probate Judge

5 Daniel Miller stayed here last night and over the sabbath day he is out on business

11 Elder William Reynolds came here and brought Stephen Ball here to live

12 Daniel Miller came here to stay over sabbath he is out selling garden seeds

13 Elder William Reynold was here and released Matthew Carter from being the first Elder of this society and put Stepehen Ball in his place

14 Matthew Carter moved from Waterviet to White Water to live he went as far as Union Village with Stephen Ball

22 Robert Lehbeger came here to unite with believers he was a Jew

28 Ephraim Frost and Adaline Wells and Amelia Dodson went to Union Village on business

March 1870

8 Nelson Atchison was found dead in his bed this Morning up stairs in the old Office at the center family coroners inquest of eight men from Dayton was held over him and they came to the conclution that he came to his death by injudiciton use of chlorifom

9 Nelson Atchison funeral and burial took place between one and two o clock
Emelia Dodson who had been here through winter returned home to White Water Adaline Well went with her
Benjamin Shannon from Union Village stay here stayed here last night he is on business

11 Eldress Adaline returned home from White Water
Ezra Sherman came with here on business

15 Ezra Sherman returned home to White Water

17 Anna Mos came here to see her daughter Byarks Bell Mos

19 Olivir Hampton came here from Union Village and brought Nathan Aldon with him who had been there to school last Winter

22 there came on a visit from Union Village to Waterviet George Prubush. Charles Macmuder the sisters were Polly Maclane and Angeline Maclane

April 1870

12 Matthew Carter on business Dennis Macbrid and Angeline Macclear came with him

14 there came here from Union Village Thomas Johnson and Louis Farnham & Moriah Myres on business

18 The Ministry came to Waterviet from Union Village on a visit except Naomi Ligar
Augustus Altroff left this society a factory man
20 the Ministry visited the north family & stayed all night
23 the Ministry returned home to Union Village

May 1870

11 Moses Eastwood Ephraim Frost and John Lombers with carriages and three sisters went west to Miamiesburgh to meet Kentucky visitors and convey them to Waterviet the sisters that went with us were Peggy Patterson Adeline Wells and Mary Jane Lewis we met the visitors at Miamiesburgh being brought there from Union Villag the visitors were eight in number two brethren and six sisters viz Rufus Bryant & Nepolien Brown the sisters Elizabeth Downing Hortensa Hooser Love Merfort Loucinda Reynolds and Harriet Chamberlain Rebecca Royal these we conveyed safe home to Waterviet in the evening
12 they made a short visit here and we took them in three carriges this morning to the soldiers home and brought them back in the after part of the day and had meeting with them in the evening
13 We took our visitors this morning to the depot in Dayton to takes the cars to Hamilton paying their ~~[illegible]~~ expenses on the cars to Hamilton on their way to White Water Stepen Ball went with them Some thiver broke into the sellers of both families last night and stole eggs & milk & and other small artiel
14 Anna Mofs and her Brother came here to see Bryanka Bell Mofs her daughter
18 Jahnathan Pudiil began to france our new shop with the help of Henry Hymes
Stephen Ball and John Sepman went to Union Village on business

June 1870

1 There went on a visit from Water Veliet to White Water. John Sourberry Hester Frost Sarah Ramains and Sarah Lape

7 The visitors returned home from White Water Louria Dewit came with them from Union Village

10 Moses Eastwood. Stepher Ball & William Allender went to help raise a barn for Edward Newcomb on the Manry place a singular incident hapened after the raising a man by the name of Henry Hymes making very intimate free with some femals and running after them he broke his neck and fell dead on the ground

11 Matthew Carter came here from White Water on business Nathan Adams came with him from Union Vil

14 Benjamin Moss came here to see Byonky Bell Moss his daughter and he fixed our cisterns

16 Betsy Real took Loaria Dewit home to Union Village

17 Betsy Real returned hom from Union Village and brough Viney Macnamer with her

22 We raised the frame of our new shop at the north family it stand on the west side of the road north of the dry house we raised it with the help of some of our neighbours to wit. Edward Newcomb James Maggee Frederick Hawker John Moler Jacob Link Garret Hoar Thomas Moor and Johathe Rudicil the carpenter

26 We began again to have public meeting at ten o clock in the morning

27 Betsy Real took home Viney Macnemar to Union Village

29 Betsy Real returned home from Union Village and brought up Joseph Eastwood

8 July 1870
Joseph Eastwood returned home to Union Village
19 Moses Eastwood and Frances Tan went Xenia to meet the Ministry at depot and bring them to Waterliet they came from North Union on their way home from the east the present Ministry are Elder Amos Parkurst. William Reynolds Eldress Sally Sharp and Naomi Ligear
20 A meeting was held at the north house to hear some letters read from the east and to consut about temporal affairs and not run in Debt these letters was read by Elder William Reynolds
22 Moses Eastwood went with the two horse carriage & Stephen Herington with the one horse wagon to convey the Ministry on their way home to Union Village we went with them as far as the school house beyond Centerville and there met four carriages from Union Village which were to convey the Ministry home and we returned back to Waterliet in the four our carriages there were ten brethren & sisters who came to meet the Ministry the brethren were Daniel Miller Ithamar Johnson. Augustus Tipergan Herman and another brother name not known the sisters were Elizabeth Fox. Perses Hoag Cynthia Tipergan Lucinda Slater and Ruth

August 1870
2 Moses Eastwood moved his tools from the old wagon makers shop to his new shop at the north family north of the dry house
13 Elder William Reynolds came here on business
15 Elder William returned home
16 Stephen and Elizabeth Jones came here
17 Moses Eastwood. Matilda Williams and Emely Adams and Elizabeth Jones went with us to Union Village on business Elizabeth Jones went to her Father who is sick

19 Moses Eastwood and team that went with him returned home except Emely Adams and Elizabeth Jones they remained a Union Village Job Simpson came with us a tailor by trade

30 Matilda Williams Peggy Patterson went on business Job Simson went with home with them to drive the carriage Ithamar Johnson and brought home Hester Frost and Emely Adams. Tincy Macremar came with them to stay a while

31 Matilday Williams and Peggy Patterson returned home from Union Village with John Sourber

September 1870

8 Moses Eastwood went to the souldier home to take some of the young sisters there the sisters were Matilda Williams. Jane Lappin. Sarah Ann Kripe. Byanky Bell Moss & Luretta Corman and Lucretia Brown. they also visited the orphen childrens home in Miami city

13. there started on a journey to visit the Believers in Kentucky from Waterpliet two brethren and three sisters the brethren were Moses Eastwood & Ephraim Frost. the sisters were Matilda Williams Peggy Patterson and Adaline Wells they left home at two o clock this morning and proceeded to Dayton and there took the cars and was in Cincinnatia by seven o clock and here they had some addition to the company George Prebush from Union Village and Louisianna Stroud from White Water which seven persons belonging to our company and afternoon they took the pocket Boat for Louisville

14 they landed this morning at Louisville and took the cars for South union and landed there about four o clock in the evening

and they remained there six days and visited the whole
society at South Union
21 they started for Louisville and sayed all night
22 they took the cars for Lexington and there met some
brethren and sisters from Pleasant hill with
carriages which conveyed them to Pleasant hill
and remained at Pleasand hill until the 29
29 they started for home and was conveyed in
carriages to Nicholsville and there took the
cars for Cincinnatia and got the the same evening

October 1870

1 The visitors this morning took the cars for
Dayton and landed safe home before the middle
of the day having absent 18 days
8 Oliver Hampton came here
9 Ephraim Frost went to Dayton to engage
a place for Olivier Hampton to preach
in Dayton he engaged the Huston hall
and meeting to be held there this evening
at seven o'clock and a number of
brethren & sisters left home at five o'clock
for the meeting and didnot get back until
about ten o'clock at night
10 Oliver Hampton went on his way to Union Vi
Betsy Real took Viney Macnemar home
to Union Village
12 There came on a visit here from Union Village
Daniel Miller, Ursula Baker, Sally
Slater, Cythia Tibergin, Lucinda Slater
Mary Robeson, Minerva Right and
Mary Ann Roy.
15 the visitors from Union Village returned home
16 the spectator were informed that there would
not be nomore public meetings this season
14 there came on a visit from White Water three
visitors Mthew Carter and two sisters
Minerva Macguire & Polly Burnham

1 The north family a knitting machine called the Bickfords machine and paid 35 dollars for it

November 1870

5 There came on a visit from White Water to Waterliet two brethren and two sisters, Wm William E Macbride and a young brother name not known and Eldress Lucy Woodard and Polly Champlin

13 Elijah Wright was here to get acquainted with believers

14 The north family bought and another knitting machine for 30 dollars and got a larger one on credit for 120 dollars

22 The Ministry came here on a visit to Waterliet

24 Was thanksgiving day we had meeting at nine o clock this day was appointed by the Governor of the State of Ohio

25 The Ministry came to the north family and stayed over night

26 We held our yearly Sacrafice afternoon and for all to open their minds and confess all their sins

30 The Ministry returned home to Union Village

December 1870

1 Francis Van moved from the center family to the north family to do the marketing and peddling

13 George Engle came here from North Union on business

24 Stephen Jones came here to spend the Christmas

25 Christmas day we had all our meeting at home we kept it as the Sabbath day the two families did not meet together nor any communication between the two families the day was cloudy cold and the ground covered with snow

Remarks on the year 1870

The past year winter has been moderate no time down to zero until the last of the year the last ten day has been the very cold the coldest day was just before Christ mas the 24 of December the 12 degrees below zero the spring of the year was wet and backward and spring crops was late geting in the ground but May and june very dry but summer came in very seasonable and good for all kind of crops the fall of the year was very remarkabl good for ripening all kinds of fall crops and also for gathering corn then in and the weather was very good until the middle of December and ground good for plowing and plowed some of our ground for corn next spring

Our grain crops has been very good wheat has been ever an average crop corn has been remarkable good also looking backward in the spring the good weather in the summer and fall brought out the corn beyond expectation and had a good fall for ripening the corn even the nubbins were sound and hard as the full ears of corn and the price of corn is now from 40 to 45 cts per bushel. oats was a moderat crop not a common average crop Potatoes a very moderate crop not an average fruit was almost a failure Apples were scarce not over a half a crop peaches were few and scterr on the trees Pears a moderate crop cherries were a moderate crop smaler fruits such as berries currant black berries and straw berries raspberries were average crop

As to improvements there has been conserable the Center family has started a new wash mill to go by steam with a new engine they have also put new fense about the yard and meeting house yard and about the shop this fensing is all made of pine board and oak posts they have put a new roof on the old wagon shop. The north family

has built a new shop on the west side of the road standing north of the dry house 20 by 30 on the ground two story first story for Mechanical work the uper story to be used for shoe shop paint shop and tailer shop and hired hands to sleep the other family helped build this shop to pay for our part in the old wagon shop so they might have it for a broom making shop The north family has bought a set of knitting machines for knitting sock and serfs or comforts they cost 187 dollars The health of the society has been good no sickness has been in the amongst us the past year altho there has been one death by the injudicious us of chloroform it was Nelson Atchison a young man a dentist by trade and also a shoemaker & harness maker As to the ingathering has been much like it has been for some years past some coming in and some going out but still keep up our number the same as years past no religious movements or conviction in the world to open the way for the spreading of the gospel the people are more in persuit of riches honor and pleasure of this world than their souls salvation

January 1871

5 Ephraim Frost went to Cleveland to attend a meeting Shakers and spiritualist
6 Augustus Tibergan came here to stay over Sabbath day
30 John Mogolt left this society
31 Matthew Carter was here from White Water

February 1871

4 there were meeting in the new shop of the Directers of the Dayton Waterviet & Xenia turn pik company the meeting was held in the after part of the day
5 Harriet Mently came here to unite with Believers.
18 William Anderson from Mount Lebanon came here this evening on foot and alone he is on business of selling dried corn
20 William Anderson visited Mirth family with Stephen Ball he is from Mount Lebanon in the State of New York
21 William Anderson went on his way for home

March 1871

2 William Tonkin Smith left this society
9 Ephram Frost & John Serman went to Dayton to attend the trial of some thieves that had stole six head of cattle last Wednesday morning
8 Stephe Ball went to White Water on business.
16 Stephen Ball returned home from White Water
25 William Lindsey came here to unite with Believers

April 1871

21 John Geishecker came here to make it his home he is a turn back from South Union
25 there came on a visit from Union Villge Ithamar Johnson and three sisters Eunice Patterson Polly Hunt & Ann Mariah Myres
26 Moses Eastwood went to the Solders home with Ithamar Johnson Eunice Patterson Peggy Patterson Polly Hunt Ann Mariah Myres and Hester Frost and returned home after the middle of the day

May 1871

2 The Ministry came here from Union Village
5 Joseph Montgomery came here from North Union on business
8 there was a meeting at the center house of the ministry Elders to consult about helping the North Union Folks with money
9 John Geisheeker left this society.
Moriah Kripe move from the center house to the north house to live
10 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
13 There came on a visit from Union Village Cephas Holloway & three Sisters Mary Ann Roy Moriah Wheeler & Frances Gillon
And two brethren from White Water Ezra Sherman & Matthew Carter on business
19 Moses Miller stay here last night on business Ephraim Frost & Adaline Wells Moriah Kripe and Molly Mc Pride went on a visit to Union Village and White Water. Moriah Kripe stayed at Union Village & to make it her home
22 Ezra Legget came here and borrowed 650 dollars from me to help the North Union folks out of debt by the order of the Ministry
25 Ephraim Frost returned home and them that went him except Moriah Kripe who remained Union Village to live. Emelia Colly and her son Albert came Waterville to live from White Water

June 1871.

1 A number of brethren & Sisters turned out to kill the Collorado bugs on the potato vines and we have to kill them every day
6 The Ministry came here to day on their way to North Union Moses Miller came with them to drive the carriage out to take it home again
17 Stephen & Elizabeth Jones came her on a visit

23 Wheat harvest began to day
25 Matthew was here to day and spoke in meeting
27 Moses Eastwood and Stephen Ball went to Xenia with two carriages to meet the Ministry from North Union and bring them to Waterville our presesent Ministry is Elder Amos Parkurst first Elder William Reynolds second. Eldress Sally Sharp first and Eldress Naomi Legear second

July 1871

3 Moses Eastwood & Ephraim Frost with two carriges took the Ministry on their way home until we met Moses Miller this side of Springboro and he took them home and we returned home Adaline Well. Matilda Williams & Rachel Butter went with us
9 A heavy storm of rain and wind from the north passed over us doing much damage bowing down trees and corn and oats it commenced at half past two o clock in the evening
10 I hung our new Bell on a post by the wood shed
11 Daniel Miller came here and eat his dinner

August 1871

6 Between 8 and 9 o clock the large lower barn or grain barn was set on fire by some ungodly wretch and burned to the ground with all its contents about 50 tuns of hay and a good mowing machine worth 125 dollars and a horse rake worth 45 dollars consider the 3000 dollars loss
7 Thomas Johnson came here and staged over night
8 there came on a visit from Union Village to Waterville Hermon Gronlemberg. sisters Denica Houston and Ruth Tilerpaugh and Caroline Crane
22 Eldress Emely Hampton come here alone

23 there came on a visit from White Water Louisa and Thomas Martha Pulash and Rebecca Meguire by railroad to Dayton

31 I got Daniel Boon to put a new pump in the well at the north house

September 1871

2 Stephen Jones came here on a visit and brought with him Evaline Humes

6 Moses Eastwood went with the young sisters to take a ride to the Yellow Springs the sisters were Matilda Williams Sarah Ann Kripe Byanka Bell Moss Lurgetta Coman & Lucretia Brown

11 Harriet Mentry left this society

13 William F. Holton came here to unite with believers

14 Stephen Ball started on a peddling trip to sell yarn Albert Dolly a boy went with him

18 There came part of the Ministry Elder William Reynolds & Eldress Naomi Ligear & David Parkurst & Louria Dewit. and they called a meeting a three o clock for the purpose of hearing the church covanent read and signed by a number of brethren and sisters David Parkurst & Moses Eastwood was called to be witnesses to the brethren & sisters signing th covanent and we saw the following persons sign th covanent Francis Vann. John Seffman. John Sourbern Stephen Herington
Sisters. Mary Adams. Mary Hazeleden. Emely Adams. Byanka Bell Moss. Sarah Ann Kripe Martha Jane Lappin. Sarah Romanes Sarah Newcom Mary Ann Stansberry. Catharine Sourbourn Martha Evens. Ann Anderson Rachel Butler

22 Moses Eastwood and Francis Van went with two carriages to take a ride with the sisters the sisters were Matilda Williams Eliza Rice & Betsy Kripe Sarah Ann Kripe Jane Lappin Byanka Bell Moss

and Lucretia Brown we went to the Big woods to get hazel nuts & Francis Yann. Matilda Williams and Elezo went on to Folks to get some medicine

23 Benjamin Moss came here to see his daughter Byanka Bell Moss her cousin John Keogles came with him

24 A number of the brethren and sisters from the center family went to Dayton to hear Peebles preach he is a spiritualist they went in two carriages Thomas Embry was here with one carriage from Union Village

26 Byanka Bell Moss ran off last night with her cousin John Keogles

29 There came on a visit from White Water to Watervliet Elder George Rubush Susan Charalin & Julian Bear

30 There came from White Water three brethren on business viz Matthew B. Carter. Charles Ferady and Henry Carter

October 1871

1 Elder George Rubush preached in our publlic meeting to day which began at ten o clock Matthew Carter, Charles Ferady & Henry Carter visited the north family to day

4 Late last evening Elder Cephas Holloway and about 12 or 14 sisters came to stay over night they had been at the Soldiers Home. afternoon they went on their home

6 There came on a visit from Union Village to Watervliet viz William Predman Elizabeth Fox. Elizabeth Moser & Mariah Kripe

10 A company of men stayd here last night who are survaying a route for a rail road through our place there was nine in company five at the center four at the north family

11 Lucretia Brown returned to this society having been gone since the 29 of September

13 Ithamar John son was on business from Union Village Alexander & Elmore Butter came here on a visit from Whit Water village

23 Betsy Real & Mary Adams went to Union Village
26 Elder Cepas Holloway and five sister came her late this evening to stay over night they were at the Soldier Home
27 Cepphos and company started for home afternoon
31 William Franklin Holten left this society

November 1871

2 Daniel Miller stayed here last night
17 The Ministry came here from Union Village except William Reynolds who was at North Union
18 Nicholas Welch an Irishman by birth and worked at Center family for his board departed this life about ten o clock last night
26 George Tice stayed here over night an inquirer
We kept our yearly Sacrafice
27 Ithamar Johnson and Joseph Long from Union Village stayed here last night they are on business
28 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
Ithamar Johnson & Joseph Long returned home they stayed at the north house with two horses
30 Was thankgiving day appointed by the President of the United States and also by the Governor of Ohio we held meeting at nine o clock

December 1871

7 Moses Eastwood. Matilda. Williams went to Xenia with Luretta Corman to see about some money that was coming to her
23 William Thornton came here with his wife and five children to see believers and to get acquainted
24 Augustus Teberger came at stand over Christmas his out on business
Luretta Corman left this society with her Mother
25 Christmas day was kept as the sabbath day

Remarks on the year 1871

The past year has been very dry and remarkable for great fires through the whole Country particularly in the north west where Chicago was burnt and many towns and villages burnt out of existence and many hundreds of peopl burnt to death never has there been a year so fraught with such great distruction by fire as the year 1871

This winter has been very moderate and could plow our ground in February for spring crops and no time was the thermometer down to zero until December a few days before Christmas when the thermometer was 16 below The Spring was favorable for geting our spring crops having done our plowing in February and March Summer was dry yet there was rain enough for the growth of vegetation to bring forth crops in good season The fall of the year continued very dry and the season good for ripening crops and for gathering the corn early before cold weather set in

Wheat was a moderate crop yet not an averag crop through out the country

Our corn crop was good and corn in low land was good while that on up lands was very poor the season being too dry Oats was excelent over an average crop and generelly so through out country

Our potatoes a moderat crop yet better than was expected through the summer when the Colorado bug were destroying the potatoe vines pently to do us

Our fruit crops were very moderate apples we had enough to do us and dryed a numer of barrels and put away some for winter use. Peaches very few only some for table use apples and peaches abiendent in some places on high ground but in low ground no fruit at all and generally so through out the country Berries or small fruits such a strawberries blackberries Currant yielded well.

There has not been much improvement the year a new dam was made at the head dam of the factory below the old head dam was take in the water from the swamp and some fensing one piece of fense from the cross roads to the old grain barn with piece boards and stone bottoms the post of wood bolted on stone set in the ground

There has been much old fensing repairing and resetting most all the old fensing on the north the east part of the place and the east place have been repaired and put in good order at least what belonged to the north family

The health of the society generally good no cantagious deseses has been in the society and no deaths of any member of society altho one death has occured at the center family Nicholas Walch an Irishman he had work many year as hired man and afterwards works for his board and became Pauper and continued until his death he was not a member of society

The financial state of the society is good out of debt or demand able to lend the society over 3000 dollars at Union Village to help them out of of debt and to start to new wash mill by steem power

As to the ingeathering of souls into the gospel has been much the same as it has been for years past some coming in and some going out our number about the same as years past so end the year 1871

January 1872

2 Elder Amos Parkurst came to Watervliet from Union Village lat this evening

3 Elder Amos borrowed 3000 dollars in government bonds a 6 per cent Interest he returned home

4 Mathew Carter & William Alender came and stayed over night from White Water they are on business

6 Augustus Tibergan from Union Village stayed here over the sabbath day he is on business

February 1872

20 Cephas Holloway & Mathew Carter washere from Union Village on a visit

21 William Lindsey was discharged from this society Sarah Ann Kripe went with him Francis Van took them to Dayton in the spring wagon

22 Moses Eastwood went to U.F. with two sisters on a visit the two were Matilda Williams & Bery Kripe we returned on Saturday

March 1872

2 John Lee came here to unite with believers

13 The Ministry came to Watervliet from Union Village

14 John Levene Roberson came on business

21 The Ministry returned home

30 John Lee was dismissed from this society

April 1872

7 Isachar Tucker came here to see his Mother

21 Alonzo Morris united with believers

23 Byanka Bell Moses returned to this society

29 Alonzo Morris left this society

May 1872

9 Oliver Harpston came here on a visit
B.F. Church and Joseph Lancimer waher on a visit from Union Village

15 The Ministry came to Watervliet on a visit on their way to the east

16 the Watervliet folks took the Ministry to Xenia on their way east

25 There came on a visit from White Water Elder Henry Bear and three sisters Charlotta Wheeler. Alace Gray and Milissa Carperter

June 1872

12 Ephraim Frost and Fanny Ball left the society and went to the world

13 Moses Eastwood and John Sourbour went with two carriages to Xenia to meet Ministry from the east and to convey them to Waterlict on their way home

18 Moses Eastwood and John Ceman went with two carriges to take the Ministry on their way home and went about half way and they met a carriggs from Union Village which conveyed them home we left on the Springborough road and we returned home Jane Lappin move to the center house

22 Jacob Orell came here to unit with believers

July 1872

2 The horse ran off with our mowing machine and broke all to pices Abram Biker was driving

15 Garret Hoar got his leg most cut of with the mowing machine in the meadow by his house he was a renter on our east place Doctor Macelhany was called to to atend to him

20 B. F. Church and Louisa Farnham came to Waterlict from Union Village

23 Jane Lappin returned home to the north house

31 We began to thrash Garrets wheat on Zimmermans thrashing machine by steam power

August 1872

1 Garret Hoar departed this life he has been a tenant or renter on the east place for this last 12. or 14 years he was an Irishman by birth and Roman Catholic they came and took his and buried him he left a widow without children

10 Public sale was on the east place to sell Garrets property Preston Tucker came here to see his Mother

15 A man by the name of Gorman moved on the east place to live in the house that had been in
30 Elder Amos Parkis came alone and on foot on business

August 1872

September

12 John Atchison moved to Waterviet from White Water to live Ebenezer Price came with him on a visit
13 Margaret Pelham brought her daughter Prence Pelham to live with us and left her and returne home next day
14 Elder William Reynolds came here on business
16 Moses Eastwood helpe Frederic Hawkers to raise a tobacco shed on his place
Elder William Reynolds returned home to Union Villag. and took with him Elder Stephen Ball with him to stay a while to gain his health
18 Elder William returned to Waterviet again
24 Elder Cephas Holloway and brough home Eder Stephen
25 Prence Pelham went to her Mothers
26 Moses Eastwood took sick with the chill & fever

October 1872

2 there went on a visit from Waterviet to White Water one brother and five Sisters. Viz. Stephen Ball. Mary Adams Catharine Sourbourn. Marth Eason Emely Adams Amelia Dolly
Lucretia Brown went from home to Xenia
8 The visitors returned home from White Water
Elder William Reynolds returned from North Union on his way home
9 Ebenezer Price returned home to White Water having been sine the 12 of september
10 Elder William continued on his way home to Union Villag.
15 Moses Eastwood. Mary Ann Puffy. Peggy Patterson went to Dayton to meet the North Union visitors at the Depot The visitors were Elder James Prescott Elder John Pilot (sister) Eldress Lydia Ann Cramer Elymeria Miner Mary Shepherd Elmina Phelips Marthe Brunnel

16 The visitors from North Union with a number of Waterviet brethren and sisters went to see the soldiers Home from the north family one carriage one brother and five sisters Viz. Francis Fan Malilda Williams Jane Lopper. Bryanka Bell Mary. Lucretia Brown

18 The Waterviet brethren and sisters went with three carriages to convey the North Union visitors on their way to Union Village two carriges from the center family and one from the north family John Atchison and John Sourbour drove the two carriages from the center Moses Eastwood the drove the carrige from the north there went with us from center Stephen Herington. Hester Frost Mary Jane Lewis and Ann Aderson and three sisters from the north family Matilday Williams Elizja Reed and Betsy Hripe and we conveyed them half way to Union Village and there met two carriges from from Union Village one drove by Elder Amos Bablet and the other by Micmanis Dorhardy Elder William Reynold came with them and two sisters Eldress Anna Slater and Persis Hoag we stoped on the road leading to Springborough in the woods and while taking Lunch here there came a carriage from White Water with Eyra Sherman and two Sister Luisanna Stroud and Martha Rulush and Louisa Farnham from Union Villa took Lunch with us so there was members from all four society in the State of Ohio present

22 Elder William came on business

There went on a visit from Waterviet to Union Villa one brother and five sisters Viz Stephen Herington Adaline Wells Rachel Butler. Mary Ann Stanslery Ann Anderson and Mary

November, 1872

6 There came on a visit to Waterviet from Union Village Ithamar Johnson and two sisters Eunice Patterson and Elizabeth Morris

9 There came on a visit to Waterviet from White Water

one brother and four sisters Viz. John Clark. Sarah Ellen Bryant
Emely Flagg. Emely Stokes Olive Flagg
15 Elder William came here from White Water on business
26 Elder Stephen Ball returned home to Waterviliet from
White Water he had been there about two months to
gain health
28 this day was thank giving appointed by the Governor
of the State of Ohio
29 was very cold for November 3 degrees above zero
cold December 1872
12. was very 3. degrees above zero
18 very cold 4. degrees above zero
19 Elder William Reynold came here on business
20 Matthew Carter came here to stay over night
he is on his way to North Union
Elder William returned home to Union Village
21 Very cold down to zero in the morning
22 very cold 16. degree below in the morning
2 degrees below at noon and below
at night
24 3. degrees below zero in the morning
25 Christmas day we kept as the sabbath day
we had all our meetings at home the two families
did not meet together and but little communication
between the families the weather was so cold except three
of our young sisters went to the center house in the evening
on a visit and three of the young sisters came to the
north on a visit Matthew Carter came with them
to the north house he is from North Union one his
way home to White Water he come here this morning
27 Stephen Jones and Moses Eastwood went to Dayton in a
one horse sleigh on business. 8 degrees below zero
in the morning

Remarks on the year 1872

The past year has been very dry take it in general many streams has dryed up and well have failed of water that has hardly ever known to fail befor all the many and and frequent showers enough for vegetation yet not enough to start the water in streams and wells still continue dry to the end of the year

Winter of this year the fore part of the year the two first months was moderate winter weather but the latter part of the year from the midle November to the end of the year was very exceeding cold to the end of the year once in November 29 & 3 degrees of zero and December several times down to zero on the 22 & 16 degrees below zero in the morning and most of the day below zero this has been the most steady cold for this time of the year almost ever known in this country the ground is covered with snow about 4 inches deep and good sleighing & continues so to the end of the year

The spring of this year was cold and some backward yet the spring crops were got in tolerable good season and the quite favorable for bringing on the spring crops the summer months were quite favorable for the growing crops and was blessed with frequent showers of rain and became so wet in harvest and rain almost every day that it was with difficully we could save the wheat in the shock oats were some damaded and the hay was some spoild after it was cut and in cock and left layon the ground to rot for manure altho we saved enough for our own use this weather continued wet until last of July and became very dry litle or no rain in the month of August and became very dry & warm September set in very dry and warm that made hard to get in the fall crops October tontinued warm and dry November continued dry but cold and favorable for gathering the corn and other fall crops and we got in our crops in good season and in good order having about 1000 bushels of corn in the crbs at the north famely

our grain crops was abundant wheat over an average crop 20 bushels to the acre and good weight. 61 pounds to the bushel corn has been an abundant crop over and averag crop and good throughout the country oats was exolent over an average crop our potatoe was poor the weather very dry and the Colorado bugs all most destroyd them yet we shall have potatoes enough for our own use Our fruit crop was good Apples was a good verage crop and plenty of them. Peaches about one fourth of a crop having been ingured by the cold weather in the bud Pears a good crop and current goosberries and other small fruits was a good average crop, cabbage and turnip very poor and other garden vegetables was scorse cut short by the dry weather

There has not been much improvement this year some fensing and ditching draining the wet ground one building moved at the center house and a second story put on it was the childrens house

As to the health of the society there was some sickness chills and intermiting fever there has been a number of cases there has not been any deaths in the society this year and but one death on the place that was Garrett Hoar a hired man or renter on the east place for this last 12 or 14 years he was out in the meadow with the Mowing machine and got his leg caught in the machine and most cut of at the ancle on the 15 of July and he lived until the first of August then departed this life he was an Irishman by birth and had a wife without children

As to the increase in number or ingeathering has been much as it has been for year past some going some comeing which keeps up the number about as it was last year

January 1873

12 George Miller came here to get acquainted with believers
14 The Ministry came to Watervliet on visit except Elder Amos Parkhurst
17 Elder Amos Parkhurst came here and Moriah Kripe came with him
18 the Ministry at the north family
19. Sabbath day we kept our yearly sacrafice all was to open their minds
23 Matilda Williams was released from being the first Eldress in the north family and Mary Ann Duffy was appointed to take her place with Peggy Patterson to stand with her as second
24 Elder Amos returned home Moriah Kripe went with him
25 Bryanka Bell Moss went with her Father home
27 the rest of the Ministry returned home

February 1873

4 Lucretia Brown left this society
5 Jane Lappin left this society
6 George Miller was discharged
12 Louanna Stroud returned home to White Water and John Cessman & Adaline Wells went with her for company
13 Bryanka Bell Moss returned home from her Father's Lucretia Brown came back with her
20 Elizabeth J. Knowles departed this life last night and was buried about four o clock to day she died at the center family she was not a member of this society having been here a short time
21 Emel Leete a stone cutter finished laying stone steps to the north side of the kitchen at the north house
Daniel Miller came here late last night he staged over night he was on business
26 Elder Stephen Ball went to Union Village to take William Minder there and took with him Hester Fort and Matilda Williams
28 Eder Stephen Ball returned home and them that were with him

March 1873

7 Byank Bell Mch left this society
8 Jacob Cyel left this society
16 William Wyman began to take care of the cow a hired boy
20 there came on a visit from Union Village Thamar Johnson Eldress Naomi Ligear & Pessie Hoag
23 Thamer Johnson and the two sisters returned home

April 1873

14 Moses Eastwood took Matilda Williams to Doctor Egery Mary Ann Duffy & Peggy Patterson went with them for company
19 Cornelius Duffy came here to see Mary Ann Duffy
22 Matilda Williams went a second time to Doctor Egery Peggy Patterson and Eliza Reed went with her

May 1873

13 we began to plant our corn in the small field on the creek
14 There came on a from Union Village Francis Roderick Laura Dewit and Sarah Jane Bata
19 Moses Eastwood took Matilda Williams to Dr. Egery with Peggy Patterson & Betsy Knipe
23 The Ministry came on visit Waterchit from Union Vly
28 The Ministry was here at the north family

June 1873

2 Elisha Galoomer here with his daughter Anna
3 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
25 Elder Amos Parkurst came here and brought with him Elder Henry Blynn from Canterbery in New hampshire in the east
26 Elder Amos Parkurst from Union Village and Elder Henry Blynn from Canterbery in the east washed at the north house on a visit
27 Elder Amos Parkurst and Elder Henry Blynn went on their way to North Union

July 1873

18 Moses Eastwood took Matilda Williams to Dr Egery with Peggy Patterson and Eliza Reed

15 Moses Eastwood took Matilda Williams to Dr Egery with Mary Ann Doffy and Jane Tucker with him to take a ride

16 Jane Lappin returned to their society

19 William Reynolds came here to renew public meetings

20 We began again to have public meeting in the meeting room a ten o clock

21 Elder William Reynolds returned home

August 1873

1 Moses Eastwood went to Union Village to take Matilda Williams there to stay awhile to gain her health and Peggy Patterson and Eliza Reed went along for company

2 the company returned to Waterviliet Elder William came with them to ~~Water~~ Waterviliet

Matthew Carter came from White Water

5 Moses Eastwood went to the Arbum with the two horse carriage some folks from Union Village one brother and four sisters Elder William Reynolds the sisters were Eldrey Elizabeth Fare Matilda Butler and two sisters names not known to the writer

7 Thomer Johnson came here from Union Village with the two horse carriage he had brought them to Franklin there they took rail road to Dayton and then took the horse rail road to the Asylum they came together Plane set

12 Moses Eastwood took two horse carriage went to the Methodist camp meeting north of Dayton and there went with him Peggy Patterson Eliza Reed and Catharine Sourlorn there also went a carriage load of folks from the other family

20 Moses Miller came here on business from Union Village

24 Jane Lappin left their society

September 1873

9 John Sourlorn starts on a peddling trip to sell yarn

12 Elder William Reynold came here on business

15 The brethren and sisters from the center family went to the exposition at Cincinnati there went 7 brethren and 15 sisters they went by the rail road

16 The brethren and sisters returned home from the exposition a Cincinnatia Moses Eastwood and John Seeman brought them home from the depot in Dayton in two carriages and did not home until nine o clock

25 Francis Vann went to Union Village to take down some carpet yarn

October 1873

3 There came on a visit from Union Village to Waterslet Elder Amos Ballet the sisters Eldersh Aira Slater Prudence Parkurst & Ann Marion Myrin Matilda William came with them and returned back with them

16 Charles Clapp and two sisters came here to stay over night the sisters were Polly Taylor & Sarah Cohren

30 There came on a visit from White Water two brethren and five sisters brethren George B Amby George King the sisters were Elizabeth Sharp Catharine Carpenter Susanna Faraday Mary Faraday & Eliza Brock

November 1873

18 Moses Eastwood went to Union Village with Peggy Patterson and Adaline Wells we went to bring Matilda William home

21 Moses Eastwood and them that went with him returned home to Waterslet and brought Matilda William home with them she had been at Union Village since the first of last August

27 Thanksgiving day we had meeting at nine o clock at the center house in respect of the day

28 The Ministry from Union Village came to Waterslet on a visit Francis Poderic brought them here except Elder Amos Parkurst who came the next Monday

29 We kept our yearly meeting

December 1873

9 The Ministry returned home except Elder Amos who went to North Union and Elder Stephen Ball with him

16 Elder Stephen Ball returned home from North Union

Remarkes on the year 1873

The past year has been remarkable for many storms tornadoes and distruction by fire and cold weather which has exceeding cold and colder winter we have had for many years which set in November and continued very steady cold until late in the spring which kept the spring crops very backward in geting in proper season The winter was very cold and long steady without breaking up and the spring and wet and cold

Summer came dry and warm allthe rain enought to make the grain crop grow which was very good

The fall season was good for saving the fall crops allthe cold weather set in very early there was snow in October the 21 six deep and cold the cold on through Novemb with much snow but December was more moderat and fine weather to the end of the year

The wheat crop was very good averaging from 20 to 35 bushels to the acre and of a good quality

Corn was over an average crop yield from 60 to 70 bushels to the acre and sound and good quality and got ripe before the early frost set in to enjure it

Oats was a good aveag crop

potatoes was a moderate crop not an average crop the Colorado Bug was very [redacted] bad on them with the dry weather cut the potatoe crop short

Apples was about a half a crop Peaches ther was none in the country having killed in the bud in the winter before Christmas

January 1874

15 Alexander Butler and Lafayette Power came here from White Water and brought home Hester Frost and Molly Macbride who had been to White Water on a visit

29 Matilda Williams departed this life at half past four o clock this morning she was in her 63th year

30 Matilda Williams funeral began at 9 o clock this Morning and burial immediately succeeded

February 1874

14 Part of the Ministry came here to day Eldress Sally Sharp and Elder William Reynolds

18 The Ministry returned home to Union Village

25 Louisa Farham returned home to Union Village she has been here since the 20 of this month

24 Mathew Carter returned home to White Water he has has been here since the 14 of this month

March 1874

19 Arwinan came here by the name of Caroline Myres to get acquainted with believers she has two boys

21 Antoneta Gaff came here to unite with believers

23 Elder William Reynolds came here and brought with him a brother with him from the east by the name of Nicholas Briggs he is from Canterbery New hampshire

30 Warren Thompson began to work in the garden

April 1874

7 Johnathan Prudiel began to shest the roof of north house roof to be ready for the slate

14 Alexander Motts began to put the slate on the roof of the north house

15 Caroline Myres left this place with her two boys

26 James Mackenzie came here to unite with believers

21 Benjamin Shannon and William Alender came her on business Moriah Kripe came with them
30 J. C. Mart put copper lightning rods to the north house

May 1874

6 we began to plant our corn finished in two day
10 Antoinetta Gas left this society
13 Moses Miller stayed here last night
23 Milham Carter came here on som business
29 Elder Amos Ballet brought a load of wool from U. V

June no events orthy of record 1874

July 1874

2 Timothy Burnel stayed last night from Union Village
10 I attended a meeting a seven o clock the evening to consider and agree about repairing the factory this meeting was held in the Elders room at the center house none but the Elders were present it was agreed to repair the house but not to alter the machinery
13 The Ministry came here from Union Village
16 A Brother from North Union stayed here last night his name was Custer
17 John Martin was here from Union Village
22 Mary Thompson brought here two girls here to stay awhile young Mary Thompson & Louisa Bates

August 1874

1 Stephen Jones came here to stay over the Sabbath
3 We now began to run two wagons to market with peaches and apples one drove by Francis Tann the wagon was drove by Warner Thompson we continued running two spring about one month

September 1874

22 Elder William Reynolds came here on business
23 Elder William returned home
26 I got Philip Bron to put new coat of plaster on the cister at the wash house and it holds water well enough to answer every purpose

October 1874

2 Mary Thompson moved her two children back to Dayton
8 Isaac Bales and Louisa Farnham came on a visit from Union Village with with one Brother and some sister name not known
9 Elder Stephen Ball returned home from White Water and brought 40 head of sheep have been gone since the second day of this month
10 Peggy Patterson went to Union Village to see her Aunt Eunice Patterson who is sick not expected to live She went with Betsy Real in her carriage
13 Peggy Patterson and Betsy Real returned home from Union Village they only got there in time to attend Eunice Pattersons funeral and burial she departed this life the 9. of this month at ten o clock in the morning in the 84 year of her age born in 1791 and departed this life 1874 she was born the 20 of January and united with believers 1806 at Watervliet
14 There came a company of visitors from White Water to Watervliet Mr John Clark Eliza Maguire Louilla Carpenter and Caty Walker and Mary Middleton from Union Village
27 there came from Union Village to Watervliet Charles Clapp Louisa Demit and Sarah Jane Bata on business

November 1874

2 Mary Thompson moved to the north family with her two girls Mary Thompson & Louis Bates
7 Matthew Carter came on business he stayed over Sabbath
6 Jane Mackenzie left this society Moses Eastwood took him to Dayton to the depot for Canada
18 Thomas Johnson and Elder William Reynolds with two sisters Matilda Butler and athe sister
20 The Ministry came here from Union Village
22 We kept our yearly Sacrifice as the Sabbath day
26 We had meeting at ten o clock for thanksgeving day appointed by the Governor of the State of Ohio
28 Stepen Jones came here with some wool in his wagon

December 1874

2 The Ministry returned to Union Village
5 Stephen Jones came here to stay through the winter
8 Elder Stephen Ball went to Union Village to take down John Sourborn who is crazy and took with the whole family
10 Elder Stephen returned home and there that went with him
15 Elder William Reynolds washed on business
21 Peter Port united with believers & moved into the house
25 Christmas was kept like the sabbath day we had meeting at the center house at half past two o'clock and evening and union meeting in the evening at the north house
So ends the year 1874

The names of the brethren sisters living in the north family at Waterviet Ohio at the end of the year 1874

Elder Moses Eastwood Sisters Eldress Mary Ann Duffy
Francis Tann " " Second Peggy Patterson
Peter Port Jane Tucker
3 brethren Eliza Read
there are some in the family working Mary Harzelder
for their board not considered Betsy Kripe
believers Lyman Thompson 6 sisters
Warren Thompson going to school Betsy Real
George King a hired man 7 sisters 10 members in all

Mary Thompson a hired woman working in the kitchen wife of Lyman Thompson and has two girls with her Mary Thompson Junior and Louis Bats a brothers daughter to Mary Thompson they are going to school

1874 221

Remarks on the past year 1874

The past year has been very dry the drouth has continued the most of the year yet there has been rain enough for vegetation in some parts of the country and other parts has suffered much from the drouth to the end of the year altho the year has been fraught with many dire disasters by water and fire has swept over many parts of the county in the United States water has overflowed the country South by the Massosipy river and caused great distruction in the lower country also in the East some dams or reservoys has broken and has caused great distruction of life property mills & factorys has been swept away and small towns or villages has all most swept out of existence And in the west has suffered by plague of Grasshoppers which has swept off all vegetation before them and destroyed every thing green and left country through which they have passed a desolation nothing for the inhabitants to live upon and must starve or fed by public Charity

But for all disasters and troubles the little society has enejoyed peace health and common prosperity our crops has been good the drouth has done us but little damage

Wheat has been over an average crop from 20 to 25 bushels to the acre

Corn has been an average crop but little damag by Drouth

Oats a moderat crop some short by the drought

Patatoes were a small crop ingured by the drought and Collorado Bug we had enought for our own use some to spare

Our fruit crops the apples about one forth of a crop

Peaches was a full crop and we had as many as we could take care of and sold one peach orched on the east place

Cherries an average crop

Plimbs ~~and~~ and overage crop

Black berries a full average crop

Pears an average crop some ingured by the blight

Currents and other small fruits and average crop

Straw berries an average crop there has been some

improvement and conserable repair on the place this year.
A good slate roof has been put on the north which will last as long as the house will last
A good new stile of dry houses was built at center family to dry corn or fruit in the best manner
there has been a part of a new shingle roof on the factory and the under part was repaired or made new
there has been a new shingle roof on the sheep house
Some repair has been done to the fence and some new fence made
The financial state of the society is good out of debt and some to spare and money to spare to Union Village 3000 dallars to help them out of debt
The health of the society has been generaly good there has not any contagious disease amongst us there has been one of two cases of chill and fever. There has been one death Matilda Williams wich took place the 29. of January she would have been 63 if she had lived until 20 day of March she would brought in among believers in her infancy and remained among them untill her death a steady member in society and bearing the title and order of an Elder burden of an Eldress for many years counted and example of savingness and good economy in temporal things and very industrious in work
as to the ingathering is much as it has been years past a few straglers will drop in with out much faith and no conviction and no foundation in themselves they cannot be depended upon and they soon fall away
But we are more troubled with what is called Tramps or Loafers they are destitute class of people they are a destitute class of beings who wander from place to place begging some thing to eat or clothing they somtimes come in campanies 6 8 or ten in a gang wanting somting to eat there has been as many as 40 of a day they all could not all be accomodated but some had to be turned away without any thing to eat not having any thing for them to eat

January 1875

22 Augustus Tipergan stoped here last evening and he intends staying over the sabbath day

February 1875

2 Stephen Jones came here to stay some time

7 Matthew Carter came here on business to get Adaline Wells to go down to Union Village Eldress Sally wanted to see her So she went down with John Sessman Mary Adam and Rachel Butler

19 Sarah Elen Bryant came here intending to make it her home Elmare Butler and Charles Bishop came here on a visit from White Water

22 Elder Amos Parkurst came alone and by him self from Union Village

27 Eldress Rachel Russel and Abigal Russel stayed here last night they are on their way home to North Union they have been at Union Villay to see Eldress Sally who is sick

March 1875

4 Matthew Carter from Union Village stayed here last night he is on business

5 James Mackenzie for an other privilege not received

10 John Martin from Union Village stayed here last night

15 Jane Tucker departed this life in her 83 third year

16 Jane Tuckers funeral began at two o clock and she was buried immedeatly afterward

22. Sarah Elen Bryant left this place She has been here since the 19th of February she is a turn off from White Water

April 1875

5 Johathan Rudicil began to hew the timber for the new barn

6 Some thief or thieve broke into the seller last night and broke open several doors but did not much damage

28 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village to Watervliet except Elder Amos Parkurst the Ministry that came to day were Elder William Eldress Sally Harp and Eldress Naomi Ligear

May 1875

5 the Ministry returned home to Union Village
12 Sent two boxes of clothing to Mount Lebanon to the sufferers by fire
Isaac Bells and Louisa Farnham from Union Village came here to stay over night
18 We raised the new barn at the north family with the help of some of the neighbours and with Stells hoisting machine with tacked ropes
22 Hamer ~~and~~ Johnson & Ezro Legget was here from Union Village

June 1875

1 much rain fell and raised the water of the creek high out of its banks higher than they have been for 25 years washing many of the bridges and fences away & mill dams and done much damage
15 Elder Amos Babbit and Jethro Boyd brought a load of wool and stayed over nigh they from Union Village
16 Benjamin Shannon and Eldress Elizabeth Fair and an other sister they stayed over night from Union Village
28 The lightning struck a cedar post in the fences over the ~~fence~~ creek and spilited all to pieces

July 1875

2 Elder William Reynolds came here from Union Village
6 J. B. Johns put up the lightning rods to our new barn
14 Eldress Adaline Wells was recalled to go to Union Village by the Ministry
22 The Ministry came here from Union Village except Elder Amos those that came were Elder William Reynolds Elder Giles Avery from the east Eldress Sally Sharp and Clarissa Ligear
23 There were some changes made in the Ministry order Elder Amos Parkhurst and Elder William Reynolds changes places Elder Amos released takes Elder William place as second Elder Elder William Reynolds stands first in that order

23 Eldress Sally Sharp is released from the Ministry order and Naomi Ligear takes her place as first and Eldress Adaline Wells stands with her a second in the Ministry order she had been the first Eldress sister a Waterliet and Hester Frost Frost was appointed to take her place as first Eldress Sister in the family and Emely Addams was appointed to stand with her as second Eldress

24 The Ministry returned home to Union Village

31 Much rain fell which raised water in the creek high out of its bank most as high as the first of June the last two month has been very wet more rain fell the last two month than ever known in that time of year

August 1875

2 Eldress Adaline Wells moved from Waterliet to Union Village to live in the Ministry order Susanna Liddle went home with her she has been staying at Waterliet for some time

10 Elder David Parkurst and two sisters came here and stayed over night

19 Moses Eastwood started on visit to White Water by Cincinatia he went by rail road and from there to Harrison and there met George King who conveyed me to White Water by ten O clock

26 the Ministry Sisters came on a visit to Waterliet from Union Village it was Elders Naomi Lidd Adaline Well

September 1875

2 The Ministry Sistered home to Union Village

6 Moses Eastwood went to Union Village to make some araingment for to go on visit to the East and returned the next day and found Elder Frederic Evens from the East and James Prescott from North Union there at Union Village they came to attend a meeting at Cincinnati

8 Mary Thompson went from Waterliet to Dayton to stay awhile with her daughter Mary

September 1875

14 Elder William Reynolds and Elder Frederic Evens from the East and Eldress Naomi Pelgear and Adaline Wells came to Watervliet on a visit

16 The Ministry returned home to Union Village except Elder Frederic Evens who went on his journey home to the east Moses Eastwood went with him they left Dayton on the short line railroad and started 15 minuts past one o clock and arrived in Cleveland at ten o clock at night and waited two hours for the Albany train at midnight they took albany train for Rochester and there changed cars at six o clock for Friday the 17 the train for Albany and landed there at five and 30 minuts and there stayed all night at the Stanwix house

18 We left Albany for Mount Lebanon and got there at 9 o clock at Elder Fredenics home at the north family and then visited the first order the remainder of the day

19 was Sabbath day no public meeting a company of singers went to Canaan to a singing meeting Moses Eastwood went with them and remained there until Monday evening and then returned to Lebanon North house

22 Moses Eastwood with Elder Daniel Crosman to Hancock on to Pittsfield and returned to Hancock and there remained there until Saturday

25 Moses Eastwood returned back to Mount Lebanon with a company of one brother and six sisters who were taking ride over the mountain Lebelanon

28 Moses Eastwood went to Watervliet with the Ministry or part of them Elder Daniel Bowler and Eldress Ann Taylor and got ther about noon at the office

29 We visited the second order and second family and returned to the office in the evening

30 Eldress Ann Taylor left Watervliet alone and started for Groveland expecting to meet some company from Mount Lebanon for Groveland

October 1875

1 Elder Daniel Bowler and Moses Eastwood went to see the Mohock farm and the Island wher they raise broom corn we were conveyed there by Scranton Buckingham in a wagon this Island contains 70 acres

2 We viewed the pine forest of white and yellow pines

3 We attended Public meeting the audience was addressed by the Elders no public speaker presant

4 Elder Daniel Bowler returned home to Mount Lebanon

5 Moses Eastwood went with Chaney Miller to Albany and took the cars for Cleveland

6 landed at Cleveland at 8 clock and found George Engles waiting for me and conveyed me to North Union and remained here until 13 of October

13 Moses Eastwood was conveyed to Cleveland at the depot by George Engles early in the morning and took the cars for Dayton and got there at three o clock and was conveyed home by O Brien's Team and got home before five o clock and found all well except Eldress Mary Ann Duffy who was laying at the point of death by a peralitic stroke which rendered entirely helpless and almost speechless
Having been gone to the east 28 day and the traveling expenses 32 dollars 5 cts

November 1875

3 Matthew Carter came here on business from Union Village with Lavia Dewit & Sarah Jane Bata

5 a horse was stolen from the center family and was found in Beavertown and brought home

9 Eldress Mary Ann Duffy departed this life at nine o clock and fifteen minits

10 the began a half past two o clock and the burial immediately afterwards

11 We held our yearly sacrifice for all to open their minds

15 A rail road meeting held here in the shop by the neighbours along the rail road where it is to run but did not come to and settled conclusion

12 Ann Anderson moved from the center family to live with Eldress Peggy Patterson as second Eldress
22 The neighbours on land holders along narrow gage coal road held a second meeting in the shop
23 The Ministry returned home to Union Village

December 1875

10 The Ministry or part of them Elder William and Eldress Adaline Wells and a young sister name Doyl came here on a visit
12 our best horse called Pete died this morning
13 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
24 much rain fell which raised the water of the creek high out of its banks and done some damage to the fences
25 Christmas day we kept as the Sabbath day
26 Much rain fell to day wich raised to water in the creek high out of its bank and was as high as it was the 24 so we have had two floods in the creek one before Christmas one the day after Christmas

Remarks on the year 1875

The past year has a very remarkable for extreas of of weather both heat and cold and wet and dry The winter was very cold and frequently the mercury was down to to ten twelve and 14 degrees below zero the spring was cold and backward hard to get crop in the right season the summer was very wet raning from the beginning June until the first of August rain fell almost every day which raised the water of the creek higher than it has been for 25 years so much rain kept water of the creek freiquently out of its banks and so wet that it was hard to save any of the crops in harvest and much hay and grain went to loss but after the first of August the weather became very dry and the ground backe so hard that it was hard to get plowing done for fall crops until too late the remainder of the fall was very favorable to get in our fall crops particular corn other vegetables until the last of the year about Christmas when much rain fell a hight flood in the creek one day before Christmas and day after Christmast the water was very hight most as hight as it was last summer and done some damage to the fenses and mill dams These extreaas of weather caused a general failure of crop of all kinds Wheat was almost a total failure in the first it was frose out in the winter and but little grew and was cut was pooled by the wet weather in the shock which caused it to grow until the tops of shock looked green the oats grew well was a good prospect but the wind blew it down and the wet weather roted it on the ground and could not be saved

Our hay crop shared the sam fate and much of it was to the loss Potatoes was a failure early potatoes grew well and a prospect of a good crop but the wet weather caused them to rot in the ground the late potatoes was almost a total failure not geting more than the seed we planted

as for fruit was a general failure apples few scaters one on the trees peaches was a total failure killed in the winter

Pears was not much better than apples but there was more of them yet not an average crop
Plums almost a failure yet a moderate yeald
Cherries was a light crop almost a failure yet some for home use
our small fruits such as currents black berries straw berries was far below an average crop
the corn grew well through through summer the wet weather kept it growing so long that it did ripen in time before frost consequently there was a great deal soft corn and nubbins for the cattle below an average crop
This year has been a general failure of all kinds of crops it has hardly ever been so general failure of crops of all kinds as it has been this year such a general failure of crops of all kinds makes our finances very low not haveing made money enough to pay our expenses yet we are out of debt or demand we hope coming in year will yeild more bountiful crops of all kinds and make up some for the failure of the past year
As to the health of the society has been good no contageous deseases of any kind altho we had two deaths at the north family both aged sisters died with old age and infirmity Jane Tucker departed this life March the 15th aged in her 83 year having been a member of this society over 60 years
Eldress Mary Ann Duffy who departed this life at nine o clock and 15 minuts being in her 82nd year having been a member of this society over 70 years
As to the improvement on the place there has been one barn at north family 32 by 64 built for a stock barn and finised and put into use by harvest time
and also made some new fensing we set 100 hundred ceder post for fensing with pine boards from the Green County line to the creek
the south family has made a new dam an race to the factory

6 The north family bought a young horse or colt two years old last may we got him for 100 dollar his is Billy
7 John Fessman and Hester Frost went Union Village on business returned the 8
29 Wiron Thompson took Stephen Jones home to the Yellow Springs in our two horse market wagon and Sarah Ann Kife went with them she left the society

February 1876

22 Sylvester German moved from our east place he was a renter
28 Abram Scofield left this society
29 Stephen Weeks and family moved onto the east place to live as renters
22 bought a horse from George Tice for 70 dollars
January he proved to be good for nothing and died

March

18 Ann Anderson went Indianna to see her son
28 Ministry came here from Union Village on a visit
31 Some thieve broke int our hen house and stole over a dozen of fowls

April 1876

11 William Bates took away his daughte Louisa Bates
17 Joseph Bower left family a by boarded here since last fall and went to school
18 Anah Anderson left the society

May 1876

14 one of our best blooded heifers died last night the cause of her death not known
28 Charles Clapp & Oliver Hampton came here from Union Village to bring up a load of wood
30 Thamer Johnson came here with a load of wool from Union Village

1 Elder Amos Babbit and John Myres brought a load of wood from Union Village second family
3 Mthew Carter came from Union Village on his map
13 the Ministry came to Waterliet from Union Village Benjamin Shannon brought them
22 Thomas Andrews fell dead with Appoplex at the factory he was a hired man and been employed some years
23 Thomas Andrews corpse was taken from the factory and
August buried a the grove yard at Alpha
14 The Ministry from Union Village came to Waterliet to meet the Eastern Ministry here
15 We met the Eastern in Dayton with three carriges to bring them Waterliet the Eastern Ministry were Elder Daniel Bowler Eder Giles B. Avery Sisters were Eldress Ann Taylor Eldress Polly Read These we conveyed to Waterliet in the evening
16 The Ministry both Eastern and western visited the North family and remained here part of the day and we went the over the prairy to see where the rail road depot would be the company was Elder Daniel Bowler Elder Giles Avery Elder William Reynolds and Eder Amos Porkust & Moses Eastwood we went to see where the where the depot wood be and we returned back the Ministry returned home went by the factory
18 Joseph S. Borch came here to unite with north family John Myres Acarman came here to take the on to Union Village
19 the Ministry both Eastern Western went on to Union Village and John Lehman went with our carriage to help them on to Union Village John Acarman took the baggage
26 the old horse we bought from George Rice died last night appeared well at night was found dead in the morning his name was Frank

8 Oliver Hamilton and Charles Clapp came to stay all night
14 Stephen Ball Moses Eastwood and Joseph Bands went to the soldiers home
27 Lyman Thompson and Mary Thompson move from Waterville to Harshmanville with the family Stephen Weeks moved them
28. There came on a visit from White Water to Waterville one brother and three sisters the brother Elmer Butler the Sisters were Susan Ann Eastenbrooks Nancy Makee and Margaret Neels
30 the White Water visitors went to soldiers Home with a company from Waterville of brethren and sisters to Moses Eastwood Peter Port & Albert Doyl the sisters were Hester Frost Sarah Ann Kripe Eliza Reed

October 1876

2 the White water Water visitors returned on their way home there went with them Hester Frost Adelia Doyl Mary Ann Stansbury Eliza Gimason and Rachel Butler one brother to drive the team it Wallis Doyl to drive the team
4 Bought the Jim horse from Anderson 125 dollars
11 Elder Stephen Ball and Moses Eastwood went up to the Yellow Springs and stayed all night at Stephen Jones
13 Cephas Holloway and Lovina Rollens came here to bring Rahel Butler who was left at Union Village
1 She was left the sick
14 Moses Eastwood got the first coal grate put in the north house in the northeast room second floor
20 Stephen Ball Moses Eastwood and Peggy Patterson & Betsy Kripe went to the soldiers home
27. Stephen Jones moved to Waterville live he was brought here by here by his son Augustus having been absent 47 he left society 1829 June 1 and ~~and~~ returned October 21. 1876

24 Moses Eastwood went on a visit to Union Village in company with Stephen Jones in a buggy with our young horse or colt
27 we returned home from Union Village

November 1876

2 the Ministry came to Waterviliet from Union Village
5 We held our yearly sacrifice
Curtis Cramer came here from North Union
8 Mary Hayleden moved from the north house to the Center house to live
13 the Ministry returned home to Union Village
21 Mary Thompson (Junior) was buried in our grave yard by her own request before her death she died at Harmonville and brought here and buried by believers at the ex of the society
23 Elder Matthew Carter and Eldress Elizabeth Parr came here on business and stayed over night
30 We kept thanksgiving day we had meeting at nine o clock in the morning

December 1876

4 Moses Eastwood and Stephen Ball went to Union Village to get some domestic wine from Elder Isaac Parkurst and returne home nex day
9 very cold 20 degrees below zero
12 Stephen Ball & Stephen Jones went to Xenia to pay our taxes ant the Yellow Springs and stayed over night
20 James Reed was here to see his Mother
25 Christmas day was kept as the Sabbath day
The number and name of brethren Sisters that compose the north family atis date
Elders Moses Eastwood Stephen Jones Francis Tann Peter Port Joseph S. Bands five brethren
Sisters
Eldress Peggy Patterson Eliza Reed and Betsy Hope and Elizabeth Real four sisters

Remarks on the year 1876 a Centenial year
We have just passed through the Centenial year or one hundred years since the foundation of the American government and declared themselves free from all European Government by our forefathers and have a great exhibition at Philadelphia in remembrance of our government enlarging one hundred years
The past winter has been moderate the first two months never down to zero until the last of the year when cold weather set in November and several times down to zero and in December the 9. it was 20 degrees below zero in the morning and remained below zero all day and continues cold to the end of the year and the last six weeks of this year has been the most steady cold ever known in this country
The spring of the year was rather wet cold and backward the summer was also wet but dry enough for harvest the fall was rather dry and good weather for gathering the the fall crops the latter part of fall was very cold
Our crops has been good the wheat an average crop the corn crop is rather over an average crop
Oats grew well but rather light in the grain
potatoes were a good crop rather over an average crop
apples were good average crop and plenty though the country which made them cheap in the market
no peaches they were killed in the winter & spring
Pears was almost a total failure nor plums also a total failure.
Black berries and straw berries and current was a good average crop
there has been but little or no improvement on the place the past year there has been a narrow track railroad or railroad run through our place on the north line of our place for the purpose of bringing coal to Dayton from the eastern counties of the State this is publick improvement

The health of the society has been good this past year no deaths has occured or contagious disease has been in society there has been one person one buried Mary Thompson was buried here she died at Harpsmonville but was brought here and buried at the expenses of the society it was her request and desired to be buried our grave yard

The financial state of the society is good all just debt, and demand have been settled and the society has fair prospects for another year

There has been no ingathering of souls our numbers remain as they were last year none feel wakened to conviction for sin and have no desire to be saved from sin but appear to be sound asleep in their sins

January 1877

28 Very cold 28 degrees below zero in the morning and about 6 degrees above through the day
Lovina Rollins came here to stay a while and live with Eldress Peggy
13 Francis Vann moved from the house to his taylor shop to live
19. ~~Joseph F. Beard went to Michigan to see his relatives~~
24 Frances Lloyd from the center family to the north to live

February 1877

6 Hester Frost Lovina Rollins and Mary Jane Lewis went to Union Village with John Sessman who went to Union Village to bring up some hogs for breeding
7 John Sessman returned from Union Village and brought home ten sows for breeding
23 John Sessman went to Union Village on business

March 1877

11 The Ministry came to Waterloo on a visit from Union Village except Elder William who went on to North Union Benjamin Shanner came with them
17 Francis Rodric was here on business
27. The Ministry returned home to Union Village Benjamin Shanner came for them yesterday
30 Adelia Doyl moved from the center to the north family

April 1877

5 Charles Clapp and two sisters came here to stay over night Emely Hampton and Adaline Wells
7 Elder William Reynolds oliver Hampton and two sisters Ellen Reps and Mary Ann Holland
9 Joseph S Beards started a journey to Michigan to see his uncle
10 the visitors from Union Village returned home to Union Village
Betsy Real and Delia Doyl went Union Village on a visit
11 and they returned 11
14 Joseph S Beards returned home from Michigan

17 Peggy Patterson went Union Village on a visit
19 Peggy Patterson returned home from Union Village

May 1877

2 We began to make a new fense south side of the railroad it was a post and pine plank or board, Peter Portland Isaacks made the fense from the Montgomery and Green County line to the road that north thro our place
3 there came on a visit from Union Village Ex. Elder Sally Susanna Harmston and one brother to drive the team Gustavus Thomas
11 Betsy Preal moved from Waterlict to her own place I got her moved with the help of Stephen Weck & his team
24 Moses Eastwood and Peter Port took a side on the new railroad
26 Stephen Jones returned home from the Yellow Springs and brought home two sheep to feed

June 1877

6 Charles Clapp and Thomas Johnson came here with a load wool to our factory
8 Joseph S. Bond left this society
12 The Ministry came here from Union Village on their way to North Union
14 The Ministry went on their way to North Union Charles Clapp came with another load of wool to our factory William Minder came with him
21 George Emby came here to stay over night
23 Oliver Hampton came here from Union Village
24 We began to hold Public meeting Oliver Hampton spoke in meeting this is the first Public meeting this season

July 1877

4 A balloon passed by by here from the soldiers home and went on east beyond Xenia
8 we had our second public meeting Oliver Hampton spoke in public meeting
9 George Emory came here from ~~White Water~~ on business
11 the Ministry came here from North Union on their way to White Water except Elder ~~Amos~~ went home

17 The Ministry went on their way to White Water
22 we held our public meeting Oliver Hampton spoke in publick meeting this is our third meeting

August 1877

5 We had our 3 public meeing this season Oliver Hampton spoke in meeting
8 Two Robbers entered the room through the upper room of the house into room of Moses Eastwood while a third one remained at the foot of the ladder out side as they entered Moses Eastwood hollowed Robber Robber Robber one caught him by the throat told him to get hollowing or they kill him the other with a poppaw club struck him across the head held him on the bead and he asked them what they wanted they they said they wanted him to open his money drawers and he said they would have to let him up so they let him up and he opened some small drawers in the upper part of the desk and they took out five drawers and made their escape with the drawers and made their escape throug window which the entered and the carried the with them and then they examined them but found nothing the but mostly old papers and envelopes and waste paper which the left on the road except one which had a few nickels and cents not more than two dollars and heared a noise in hall some one enquirin what was the matter they chaged him not to speak but they came alarmed they made their escape leaving their clubs on the bead they had carried a large sliding ladder from a barn 40 rods distance and tied some old bags to the upper end of the ladder so as to make no noise against the house they got but a trifle for their trouble say two dollars this was about one o clock we rang the bell and a number of brethren from the other family came to see what was the matter
11 Elder William Reynolds came here from Union Village
14 Joseph Hogan came here to unite with believers
15 Francis Lloyd moved from the north family to the south family
16 Elder Stephen Ball and three sisters took ride on the narrow gage rail road the sisters were Peggy Pattison Eliza Read and Betsy Kipe they went as far as Washington Courthouse

19 We had a public meeting George Emry spoke in meeting
24 Benjamin Bashore and six ~~women~~ men and three children stayed here last night they were Betsy Kripes relations

September 1877

2 We had our 5 public meeting Oliver Hampton spok
15 Oliver Hampton and two sisters came here Maria Myers and Mary Middleton
16 We had our 6 public meeting Oliver Hampton spok in meeting
28 A number of brethren and sisters went to Dayton to attend the funeral of Henry a German and we are told there he was a member of society
29 Oliver Hampton and two sisters came here the sisters were Ruth Webster & Eliza Thomas came here to day
30 We had Public meeting at ten o clock Oliver Hampton spoke in meeting

October 1877

3 Stephen Ball and two sisters Betsy Kripe & Sarah Hays went on a visit to Union Village and Frances Hoyt
11 Isaac Bals and Louisa Herman and another sister name not known came here on a visit Isaac Bals got hurt in Dayton by the horses running away & scared at the cars
16 Polly Champlin came here from White Water on a visit alone by herself
17 The Ministry came here on a visit from Union Village Benjamin Shannon brought them here
18 Elder William Reynolds went on to North Union
21 We held our yearly sacrifice no meeting every to open their mouth
25 Adelia Doyl moved from the north house to the center family
31 Elder William returned from North Union to Watervliet

November 1877

6 The Ministry returned home to Union Village Benjamin Shannon took them home
6 there came on a visit from Union Village Matthew Carter the sisters were Emily Hamton Matilda Butler and Susanne Liddle
10 the visitors returns home to Union Village

November 1877

29 We kept thanksgiving day which was appointed by the Governor of the State of Ohio and also by the President of the United States of America we had meeting at half past one o clock at the center house

30 very cold 11 degrees above zero in the morning

December 1877

17 Eldress Lucy Woodard and Margetta Parady came here from White Water on business

19 Lucy Woodard and Margetta Parady returned home to White Water and took with them Adelia Dayl she moved to White Water to live and to mak it her home

25 Christmas day kept as the sabbath day no work was done we had meeting at half past two o clock at center house and again meeting at seven o clock in the evening at the center house in the northwest room second floor it was a meeting for youth and children to make speeches and sing songs written down before hand the elders sat as spectators James Carr was appointed secretary of the meeting in the middle of the room was a christmass tree which was about six feet hight it a cedar tree and ornamented with candles hung to the branches of the tree there were many collors of candles whit red and green and blue and diffrent sizes som not more than one inch long there was about twenty or twenty five in number and there were candies hung all over the tree to ornament it this was intended for youth and young people

31 two hogs were stolen from center family last night the weather has been very warm for this time of year grass is growing and cattle need but little feed wheat field look very green for the month of December

Remarks on the year 1877
The past year has been remarkable cold the cold weather set in very early the latter part of November and the beaining December and continued steady cold through the whole winter with few day exception not enough to get the frost out of the ground the most stead cold for many years the month of March was cold but little work could be done to get in crops the remainder of spring was more favorable weather to get in the spring crops also some wet the summer was very good for farming and brought forth good crops and the fall of the year was remarkable good for geathering in fall crops and very seasonable
the grain crops has been good wheat has been over an average crop generally through out the whole county
corn has also been over an average crop generally through the county and remarkable good weath to dry and gather in the corn
oats has been a good average crop
the hay crop has been a good crop
Potatoes has been a good crop particularly early ones the late not so good, turnips a poor crop weather to dry to grow
Apples about a half crop Peaches none attall total failure
Pears a moderate crop cherries a small crop
Black berries strawberries and currents a moderate crop
Garden vegatables was cut short by the dry weather
The health of the society has been good there has been but little sickness and no death in society
As to improvements there has been but little few repairs there been some new roofs on some sheds and mall buildings one on the big shed at the to old wagon shop the narrow gage coal road has come into use last summer but not finised
As to the increase members there has been four or five men and some children with the hops taken they will become useful members of society
As to the financial state of society is out of debt and some money to begin another year so ends the year 1877

January 1878

12-7 Oliver Hampton on business came here to day
9 Oliver Hampton returned home

February 1878

14 the Ministry came here from Union Village on a visit the present Ministry are Elder William Reynolds first in that order Elder Amos second the sister are Eldress Elizabeth Fox first Eldress Adaline Wells second
22 The Ministry returned home to Union Village
28 Crestian Here was taken into the family on trial

April 1878

14 Johathan Budicil began to remove our old calf house and to intend build in other place
27 Elder Harry Eder came here from South Union on a visit
29 Elder Harry Eder went on his way home

May 1878

2 we raised our calf and chicken house north of the corn crib
10 We went to Dayton to meet the Ministry at depot and brought them to Waterviet they are on their from the east having been on a visit there
21 We went to Dayton to the depot to meet a company of visitors from North Union and to bring them to Waterviet Elder Stepen Ball & Christ Here drove the teams the names of the visitors from North Union were Watson Andrews the sisters were Temperence Devan Amelia Cooper and Almira Macgill
23 we took the North Union visitors to the Soldiers home with three of our own sisters Hester Fosti Eliza Reed and Martha Eveans and Jabez Southern and Christ Here to drive the teams and Moses Eastwood
24 The visitors went on their way to Union Village we took them to the depot a Dayton
27 Christ Here left the society
28 William Calender came here on business
31 Lydia Macellen washer on a visit to see her father S. Jones

June 1878

5 An Indian last night by the name of David Tallchief he belongs to the Sacks and Fox tribes he is agent on business to the city of Washington he spoke some in meeting in the evening
9 We began to hold public meetings every other Sabbath day Oliver Hampton to be our public speaker
19 Anna C Moody and her boy left this society
23 Oliver Hampton was here and spoke in meeting

July 1878

1 John Roten came here with a load of wood for our factory from Union Village
3 there came on a visit from Hickory Water to Waterhouse two brethren and seven sisters
8 Oliver Hampton spoke in our public meeting
10 the red heifer called Pink kicked Betsy Kripe and broke her knee which entirely disabled her for life
13 Moriah Kripe came here to take care of her Mother
14 The center family took Betsy Kripe from the North family to Center family
17 Betsy Kripe departed this life between four and five & half five O clock this evening very warm 92 degrees above zero
18 Betsy Kripes funeral and buried which took place at ten O clock
20 Moriah Kripe returned home after her Mothers death
21 Oliver Hamton spoke in public meeting at two o clock
23 Charles Clapp and Cephas Holloway was here on business
25 the Ministry from Union Village came here on a visit our teams brought them here from Springboro Doctor Loudon came here to see Eliza Reed hand
30 Joseph Hogen left this society

August 1878

1 the Ministry returned home the same way they came by our teams taking to Springboro to meet them from Union Village
4 we had public meeting Oliver Hampton spoke in meeting

18 We had public meeting at ten o clock Oliver Hampton spoke in public meeting
19 Lovina Rollins returned home with Oliver Hamton having been here two weeks taking care Eliza Reed who was sick with a sore hand
26 Elder William came here on business

September 1878

1 we had public meeting Oliver Hampton spoke in meeting and dismissed audience and informed that there would not be any more public meeting held here this season
2 John Ross came here from Union Village
3 Elder William came here again on business
4 Elder William sent John Ross back to Union Village
6 Elder William returned and took with him John Atchison to live at Union Village he moved from Waterviliet from the Elders order and John Scurborn was was appoint to stand in his place as second Elder with Elder Stephen Ball
18 Alford Dayt moved from the center house to the north house to live
19 Peggy Pattison and Eliza Reed went to Dr Eging

October 1878

30 between four and five o clock in the evening Our lower North barn was set on fire supposed to be done by som of the Tramps it had abut sixty tuns of hay in it and a windmill & hay rigging but it was insured and we got pay for all that was in it the insurence came to 475 dollars
31 I went to Dayto with Alford Dayt to give notice to the fire insurence company of our loss
and to meet our Ministry from North Union and East three of them Elder William Elizabeth Fox and Adaline Wells and bring them Waterviliet Elder Amos was not with them he was left a home sick

1 The Ministry continued on their journey home to Union
home they went in our carriage and our horses drove by
Alford Doyl they did not stay long on account of sickness
23 Elder Stephen Ball and Alford Doyl went to Union Village
on business and returned the next day
27 Alford Doyl went to White Water on a visit
We kept Thanksgiving day which was appoint by
the Presiden of the Unionited and by the Governor of the
Ste of Ohio we had meeting at ten o clock

December 1878

5 Alford Doyl returned home from White Water Village
19 Put our out or young cattle down to Bonner stigu slaik
23 The weather very cold 6 degrees below zero in the morning
24 Very cold in the morning 14 below zero and remained
below all day 6 degrees below at noon
25 Christmas day we kept as the sabbath day no work was done we
had meeting two o clock at center house this day was very
cold and clear the thermometer stood 8 degrees below in the
morning and below zero at noon and 6 above at evening
27 The brethren and some hired hands are cuting puting up
ice and of filling up the ice he the ice is on foot thick
30 The Ministry from Union Village came here to Waterviet
or part of them Elder William Reynolds and Adaline Wells
Amanda Dattary came with them for company
Elder Amos Parkurst and Eldress Elizabeth Far remained
at home sick not able to come with the rest of them
23 since the 23 of this month to the end of the month
the weather has been very cold and stady cold, most
of the time below zero in the mornings and one morning
14 below zero and continued below all day, and the snow
is about six inches deep on the grouing

So ends the year 1878

Remarks on the year 1878

The past year has been a very fruitful year crops of all kind has been good and abundent and the weather been faverable for all kinds of crops altho there has ben much distruction of proply by fire through the country and great floods & storms of wind and rain altho we have escaped the most of them our greatest misfortune was by fire on the 30 day of october was set our north barn was set on fire by a tramp by the name of Paxton went in there to smoke and lighting his pipe with a match he set the barn on fire and could not put it out he leaft and run from it and made his escape and a few weeks afterwards he fired another barn in the country and was caught running away and was put in the penitentiary for 10 years he acknowledge seting our barn on fire barn had about sixty ton of hay in it but the barn and its contents was insured and we received the money for the and its contens 945 dollars which will enable us to build a new barn the coming season

but the society has been prosperous except that misfortune and our crops has been good wheat and corn has been extra good crops oats has been has been good crop Apples Peaches & pears god crps more than we could take care of and gave much to the poor of the country and town we have plenty of pumbs currents grapes and garden vegetables in great abundence

we have made conciderable of improvement on the place in building the big horse barn at the center family was taken down and biled over again almost new the old calf and hen house at the north was taken down built up again in another place north of the corn crib and a conciderable been and considerable of improvement on the east place where Weeks lives a new corn crib and wagon shed and smokehouse the dwelling house repaired the cost in all about 150 dollars

The heath of the society has been tolerable good some cases of fever ther has been one death Betsy Knipe departed this life on the 17 of July on the tenth of of the same month the red heifer kicked her and broke her knee which caused her death and the weathe exceeding warm 102 degrees above zero

There has been some changes in socity in the Eder order
Elder William came here the 3 on business and he sent
John Ross back to Union Village he came from ther out
of union
the 6 Elder William Reynolds returned home and took
with him John Atchison with him to live at Union Village
he was released from the Elder order here at Watervliet
and John Sourbon was put in his place as second Elder
with Stepen Ball & John Segsman to moved into the office
as Trustee for a short time and then was released
as to our finances is good at the north out of debt and some
money on hand the south family not so favorable some
debt and behind in money matters altho penty to eat drink
and wear and enough for the cattle horse and hogs the society
may be said to be in good properous circiemstances
as to the ingathering of souls is as in yars past some coming in
and some going out which keep our out about the same none seem
to be wakened up to sense of salvation and no desire for salvation
their minds are more engaged engaged in the pursuit of temporial
things that they have time to look after spiritual well fare
and feel as the spiritual things was not worthy of ther
pursuit and that they lost all desire for their spiritual well fare
hundreds of tramps are roveing through the country leging from
door to door for something to eat some times five or six in a
company at a time all wanting somting to eat this shows
what a desperate state the world is in

January 1879

2. Every 2 degrees below zero in the morning in the morning
and 6 degrees below at noon at evening 12 degrees below
3. we held our yearly sacrafice no work was done
every one was to open their mind to the Eders
This day was exceeding cold 28 degrees below zero in the
morning 12 degrees below zero at noon and 10 below at night
4 this day was cold 16 degrees below in the morning and
continued below zero all day
5 very cold 20 degrees below zero in the in the morning and
and not much above zero throug the day
10 continues very cold in the morning 18 degrees below zero

February 1879
and March to gether

4 Elder Stephen Ball and Alford Doyl went Union Village
March
13 Charles Clapp came here to stay over night
14 there was a general Fox drive to day in this Neighborhood
they gather in from the county and from Dayton Beaver
town Belbrook and other small towns some hundreds on
foot and horseback and in carriages until noon when they
caught one Fox on the east place and they fired a cannon
several times on the county line on the road and they began
to scatter and was soon gone and scattered and leaving us
in quietness and doing no harm
13 Oliver Hampton came here to to regulat our record
16 Oliver Hampton returned home to Union Village
28 February 28 Crist Karr said at night he did want to be
mistake
seen in day light in the work of day light

April 1879

1 Johathan Pindicil began to frame our new barn
sanding north of the road and he framed put it up in 16
days roof and finished ready for the hay and cattle to go into it
15 Stulls machine for raising building and about 15 hands
we did not get at quite up finishe next the morning

April 1879

22 The Ministry came to Watervliet from Union Village on a visit the present Ministry Elder William Reynolds and Elder Amos Porkurst is the brethren wich is brethren names the Sisters names are Louisa Farnham and Adaline Wells these are our present Ministry

May here 1879

8 J. M. Stay here last night he was on his second voyage
9 Annar by the name Jemison put lightning rods on the on the new barn
13 James Reed came here to see his Mother Eliza Reed James Clark left this society from center family
23 John Martin and Cephas Holloway came here to say over night note. Joseph Weaver May the 2 to live with believes
29 we had a stone walk laid South side of the kitchen laid by David Archer

June 1879

4 Stephen Jones went up to the Yellow Springs to see his relations that is living there
9 Mary Shaw came here to work in the kitchen a hired
12 Stephen Jones returned home from the Yellow Springs after seeing his son and other relations
16 Francis Varn went to Xenia to pay our taxes for Green County
19 The Ministry came here to Watervliet from Union Village on a visit Benjamin Shannon brought them here and he went home the next day

July 1879

5 was very warm 98 degrees above zero
13 was very warm 100 degrees above zero
14 was very warm 102 degrees above zero
15 was very warm 102 degrees above zero
16 the Ministry came here from North Union

13 I got our new barn insured for five years in the Lycoming fire insurance company for $22 and 50 cts
23 Matthew Easter brought Matilda Butter here to see her mother who was sick
24 [redacted] a Mathew Easter return home and leaving Matild with her Mother
30 Alexander Butter came here to see his Mother
31 Doctor Souders was here to see Peggy Patterson who is sick

September 1879

7 two young women came here to hire by the name of Kity [redacted] Katie Roemwell & Augusta Roemwell to work in the kitchen
8 The ministry came here to day or part of them Eder William Reynolds and Eldress Malaline Wellls and there came with them ex Eldress Naomi Ligear and Polly Hunt
9 the ministry returned home to Union Village
13 Doctor Souder came here to see Eldress Peggy Patterson who was sick
18 Benjamin Shannon brought up Susan Liddle from Union Village to take care of Peggy Patterson
20 Doctor Siders camer here to see Peggy who was sick
25 a severe frost this morning first frost this season

October 1879

2 Moses Eastwood Eliza Read and Susanna Liddle went to Dayton on narrow gage rail road and returned home by the same road
2 Moses Eastwood Eliza Reed and Susann Liddle went to Dayton on the narrow gage railroad and returned and returned by the same road after noon
16 Moses Eastwood Stephen Ball went on the Southern narrow gage railroad to Chelacthe to see it to see it and returned home the same day
20 The Ministry came here to day or part of them Elder William Reynolds & Louisa Farnham brought with them Matilda Butter
22 The Ministry returned home Susana Liddle went with them

November 1879 BK 2

12 Stephen Ball & Alford Doyl returned home from a peddling trip selling stocken yarn
George Dutton was missin from the factory
13 there came on a visit from Union Village to Waterviet William Banner and two sisters Sarah Conner and Molly Macgraw
27 We kept thanksgiving day
20 Betsy Gass and Julian Bear came from White Water to get some property insured in Dayton

December 1879

22 The Ministry came here from Union Village except Elder Amos Parfurt
25 Christmas day we held our yearly Sacrafice for all to open their mind there was no meeting
29 Stephen Ball was released from being the first Elder of this society at Waterviet and John Sourborn takes the place with the help of Alford Doyl
Stepen Ball moved to White Water to ~~live~~ he went with Elder William
the Ministry sisters remained here did not with Elder William to White Water
31 They came to the North house on a visit

January 1880

5 Benjamen Shannon came here to take the Ministry home to Union Village

6 The Ministry returned home to Union Village with Benjamin Shannon who came for them yesterday

February 1880

3 "

Elder William was here on his way to North Union

11 Elder William stoped here on his way home from Salem North ~~[illegible]~~ Union

12 ~~[illegible]~~ Elder William and John Sourlern Moses Eastwood and Peggy ~~[illegible]~~ Patterson and Hester Frost went to Daylorson business at bank

March 1880

17 Elder Stephen Ball and Caleb Feady was here from White Water on a visit

19 Stephen Jones went to the Yellow Spring to see his relations

April 1880

7 Joseph Weaver left this society

8 Moses Eastwood and Stephen went Xenia to meet Augustus Jones but was disappointed about the record

May 1880

25 The Ministry came here on a visit from North Union on their way home to Union Village

June 1880

~~[illegible]~~3 the Ministry returned home to Union Village our folks took them part of the way

8 Elder Thomas Damon and Sanford came here Thomas Damon is from the east Hancock Massachusetts they came from Union Village to day

9 ~~Continued on his journey~~

Elder Thomas Daymon continued journey

15 Matthew Carter came here and stayed over night
16 Weeks started to test his new reaping machine it is a self binder this is the first self binder which we had in the

August 1880

9 two carriage load of folks from the south family went to camp meeting north of Dayton
John Davis began to clean out the big ditch in the pracry in the lower end of it to ditch
24 John Davis who was cleaning out the big ditch in the pracry not coming home for supper Peter Port was sent down to see what was the matter and found John dead in the ditch he was subject to fits
25 The Coroner came to see about John Davis and return home and sent a man out for the corp by the name of Fry he came and took the corp and buried at public expense

September 1880

2 the Ministry came to Waterville on a visit
9 the Ministry went thee way to White Water
15 Moses Eastwood went on the Cincinnati narrow gage rail road to see the coal mines Jackson County stayed
16 Moses Eastwood left coalton having at Pallesson over night and went to Wellsville and returned to Chicacalhie and in the morning Stoke the cars for home and got home by ten o clock
22 there came on a visit from Union Village to Waterville Matthew Carter Matilda Butler & Susanna Liddle Albert Doyl & Edward Lowsbow started out on a peddling trip to sell slocken yarn

October 1880

4 Louisa Bates came to live in the north family
18 Moses Eastwood and Francis Porr went on a visit and returned to Union Village
26 the Ministry came here to day from North Union
29 and got a two horse load of apples for to take home to White Water where he lived
31 We held our yearly Social Sacrafice

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